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# RESTORE THE SEAT OF OUR DEMOCRACY

PRESSURE is growing for Albion House to be brought back into use as the offices of the forthcoming Ramsgate Town Council.

It is feared that without use of the building the new authority could start life without a permanent home.

Elections are just weeks away and some of the town's political figures are calling for Albion House to be returned to its former use.

The building is owned and maintained by Thanet District Council, while the Ramsgate Charter Trustees

■ BY TOM BETTS

are in charge of day-to-day running. Gerry O'Donnell, a key player in the fight to restore the town council, wants Albion House to become the seat of Ramsgate's democracy once more – the last time the town had its own authority was in 1973.

He said: "The district council is not obliged to provide the town council with any buildings.

"But come June it could be difficult for it to say that a building owned by the people of Thanet – and previously owned by the people of Ramsgate

under the old town council – cannot be used for that purpose again.

"I can't see the district council refusing the town council the use of this building in the short to medium term, unless it wishes to be spiteful to the people of Ramsgate."

Mr O'Donnell also plans to stand as a parliamentary candidate in Thanet South at the next general election, as does Tim Garbutt (Independent Green).

Mr Garbutt wants Albion House made more widely available for public use and for political debate.

He said: "The whole point of Albion House is that it is for the people

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## SUITS YOU, JACK

A young leukaemia survivor from Margate has become a nationwide pin-up. Jack McGrath, 10, and his little sister Daisy are the stars of Cancer Research's campaign to boost their stores' stock. Jack poses with Olympic swimmer Mark Foster (above), while Daisy stars alongside TV presenter Tara Palmer-Tomkinson. The credit crunch has brought more bargain-hunters into the charity's shops and more goods are needed to top up shelves... hence the campaign. • FULL STORY PAGE 2



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# Daisy and Jack join Tara and Mark in charity shop campaign

■ BY TOM BETTS

THE faces of a brother and sister from Margate are to beam out at people across the country.

Jack and Daisy McGrath have been snapped up for a nationwide poster campaign promoting Cancer Research UK.

They can be seen alongside TV personality Tara Palmer-Tomkinson and Olympic swimmer Mark Foster and will be appearing in shop windows across the nation.

Jack, ten, from Northdown Road, is a cancer survivor who battled leukaemia when he was just four after being diagnosed in 2003.

He said: "I enjoyed doing the photos for Cancer Research UK because their work has done so much for me. "It's going to be weird seeing me and my sister in shop windows with Mark and Tara, but I can't wait to show my friends."

Jack's treatment was overseen by the Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group, which carries out clinical trials funded by Cancer Research UK.

The shoot is to help launch the charity's Wrong For You, Right For Us appeal to encourage people to donate unwanted goods to Cancer Research UK shops.

There is a shortage of items in many stores as bargain-hunters have been finding new ways to beat the credit crunch and taking advantage of charity-shop prices.

By posing in staples such as jeans and trainers beside the flamboyantly-dressed Jack and Daisy, Tara and Mark aim to encourage shoppers to donate unwanted items to Cancer



POSTER GIRLS: Daisy McGrath poses with Tara Palmer-Tomkinson for the campaign

Research UK's 600 shops. Tara said: "I've got lots of things in my wardrobe that no longer suit me but may suit others."

"So supporting Cancer Research UK's campaign is an easy way for me to do my bit and help beat cancer."

Swimmer and Strictly Come Dancing hunk Mark, meanwhile, has pledged to empty his wardrobe of unused clothes and was full of praise for his new young friends.

He said: "Meeting Jack and Daisy, who have gone through so much at such a young age, has certainly motivated me to do whatever I can to help Cancer Research UK."

Find your nearest Cancer Research UK shop by logging on to www.cancerresearchuk.org.

## Police warning after railway line tragedy

A TEENAGER has died after falling on a live rail at Westgate-on-Sea.

Ben Lavender, a 17-year-old pupil of Chatham House Grammar School, was electrocuted on the railway line at about 11.40pm on Friday last week.

Floral tributes have been placed at the station by his family and friends.

Despite efforts to revive him, Ben died at the QEQM Hospital shortly after arriving by ambulance.

A British Transport Police spokesman issued a reminder for people not to cross railway tracks, calling the incident at Westgate a "tragic accident".

## Death 'not suspicious'

THE death of a man in Margate last week is not being treated as suspicious by police.

Officers found the body of Geoffrey Cowell, 72, at his home in Wharfedale Road at 11am on Wednesday.

The initial findings of a post-mortem examination on Thursday indicated the cause of death was not suspicious.

A 56-year-old man arrested after Mr Cowell's death has been released from custody.

## Pensioner's fatal fall

AN ELDERLY man has died after falling from a cliff in Ramsgate.

The 73-year-old, who is from the town, fell from the cliff by the Paragon, Westcliff, on Saturday, April 11.

Emergency services were called to the scene just before 11pm.

The death has been referred to the coroner's office but is not being treated as suspicious.

A post-mortem examination was due to be carried out on Friday.

## Coffee morning event

A COFFEE morning is being held by Minster and Monkton Horticultural Society on Saturday (April 26).

Plants, cakes, books, puzzles and a tombola will be on offer during the event at the old school hall, Minster.

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# Blogger fumes over rival's internet claims

## Councillor considers legal action after underhand tactics alleged

■ BY TOM BETTS

THE latest incident in the isle's heated blogosphere has sparked threats of legal action.

Tory district councillor Simon Moores is fuming over allegations made about him on what he says is a Labour supporter's blog.

The Thanet Star site posted a piece about Cllr Moores last week, accusing him of having ties to so-called 'black hat' practices – an underhand way of boosting a website's ranking on search-engines like Google and Yahoo!

Author 'Matt B' wrote that "we can exclusively reveal" that Dr Moores "may be connected" to a range of black hat practices.

The piece detailed why Matt B thought Cllr Moores was involved and how the councillor benefited.

Cllr Moores, who represents Westgate-on-Sea and runs his own Thanet Life weblog, is incensed that he has been associated with black hat activities by the rival blogger and says he is being smeared by a Labour activist intent on ruining his reputation.

He denies any wrong-doing and said at one stage that he was thinking about starting legal

proceedings but now wants the story to die a death on its own.

He contacted Yourthanet to tell of his fury. "It would be sensible if he would remove what he has said about me, but I am treating it with the contempt it deserves," he said.

"People who know me know what I'm about and they know I don't do this kind of thing, so hopefully this will die down, but I am very angry about this.

"The sad thing is that I just don't understand why it's being done, why people are trying to portray me as some kind of fraud."

### Reputation

The councillor, an expert on e-crime and a consultant to Interpol and the FBI on such matters, has posted his own views on the issue.

He wrote: "You have to wonder why anyone might do such a thing other than looking to improve his own search engine ranking by using my name and other key links which will help improve his own rating.

"What possible motive could there be behind such consistent efforts to trash the professional reputation of a local councillor whose politics you don't like?"

Yourthanet tried to contact Matt B but received no response to its questions.



**SIMON MOORES:** 'I am very angry about this but will treat it with the contempt it deserves'



**ANY CLUES?** Police want to trace these men

## Police appeal for help after couple's Good Friday beating

TWO men are being sought by police after an incident at a flat in Cliftonville which left two people in hospital.

Officers want to trace two men seen on CCTV close to Ethelbert Terrace on Good Friday, April 10.

The pair are shown crossing Athelstan Road at about 5.30pm, shortly after which time police were called to an address where they found a 54-year-old man and a 44-year-old woman with head injuries.

It is believed the two men caught on camera might have seen or heard something that could help the inquiry team.

The injured man is being treated at King's College Hospital in London, where he is in a stable condition.

The injured woman is being treated at the QEQM Hospital in Margate.

She is reported to be in a critical condition and her injuries remain life-threatening. Investigations are continuing. Phone 0800 555111 if you can help.

## 'Restore seat of democracy'

FROM FRONT PAGE

because it is paid for by them. It's very difficult to get your hands on the keys, in my experience.

"I am concerned that the charter trustees very rarely have any kind of public meetings, which is ridiculous. It should be used as a place for regular public meetings and things need to be more open and democratic."

However, Steve Ward, a charter trustee and district councillor, said: "Thanet council is not keen for Albion House to be used for political events. I asked if I could hold my surgeries there as it's in my ward and was refused, even though I offered to pay."

On the possibility of the town council using the venue, he said: "Thanet council is obliged to provide the charter trustees with a place to meet, but once the new town council has been formed, that obligation ceases.

"If it does provide access to Albion House, it will likely be charged at a standard office accommodation rate."

On the possibility of negotiations between the district council and the new town council taking place, a Thanet council spokeswoman said: "I don't imagine these discussions will take place until after elections and they decide where they want to meet."

## Margate's future is looking pink, claims Apprentice hopeful

CONTESTANTS on hit TV show The Apprentice want to rebrand Margate as a haven for the gay community on an upcoming episode.

One team of candidates came up with the idea of ditching the kiss-me-quick image in favour of launching the town as a gay resort.

The scheme is put forward by 24-year-old candidate Howard Ebbison.

The openly gay manager of ten pubs, trained dancer, musician and businessman from Derby is among the team members asked to give Margate a new identity.

However, team-mate Mona Lewis is said to take exception at the idea aimed at bringing more tourists to the coast, and speaks out against the plan.

Thomas Reeves, who runs the Flower Lab florist in Margate Old Town, is set to feature on the prime-time show.

He said: "That was one of the ideas they tried to pursue and it was really embarrassing. It was so dated and so wrong for Margate."

The Thanet Pride event is held in Margate each summer and has become a big success, drawing thousands of spectators to the seafront to celebrate the occasion.

An estimated 5,000 people attended the event in 2007 and last year's event also drew big crowds.

Thomas added: "It certainly seemed to be based on what the BBC and their researchers thought about the potential Margate could have, but they made it look really naff and really 80s.

"They were basing a lot of their rebranding ideas on Pride because of the success of the events that have been held here so far."

The episode will be screened in the coming weeks, possibly next Wednesday on BBC One at 9pm.

The cast and crew were in town in October last year filming for the show in which one candidate wins a top job with business mogul Sir Alan Sugar.

Contestants were also seen at Quex Park in Birchington and in the areas around Margate High Street.

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## Postgate will worth reputed £818,000

BAGPUSS creator Oliver Postgate is reported to have left more than £818,000 in his will.

Mr Postgate died aged 83 in December in Broadstairs, after a career which saw his creations become some of Britain's best-loved.

Along with collaborator and artist Peter Firmin, the duo went on to create the likes of Ivor the Engine, Noggin the Nog and The Clangers. But it was Bagpuss which remained the nation's favourite – being voted the best children's TV show of all time in a recent BBC online poll.

At the weekend, national newspapers reported Mr Postgate left £818,451 in his will. The money was left to be shared by his three sons and his partner Naomi Linnell. His wife Prudence died in 1982.

Many of the pair's shows were made at studios in Blean, near Canterbury.

## Painting security costs £140 a month

THANET council pays £140 a month to keep one of its most valuable assets in storage, a spokesman for the authority has revealed.

This equates to £1,680 a year, or £35 per week.

The painting, A View Of Margate From The Pier 1868, is by James Webb and hung for many years in Margate Library but is now with an unnamed fine-arts storage company.

The work is said to be worth some £100,000, but its location is kept secret for security reasons.

The impressively large piece of art could return to public view soon, possibly at the Winter Gardens.

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Question time at college with David Bimbleby. Search 'question'

# Musical showcases will echo around Turner Contemporary

MUSIC is the theme of the latest exhibition at the Turner Contemporary Project Space in Margate.

The gallery is hosting two shows – The Sound of Music and Crossroads – which will run until new rooms and areas have been created.

These will allow the showing of video installations that study all aspects of the music industry and its culture.

As well as the exhibition, the Turner Contemporary organisation is also holding a series of free open-air shows and activities over the May bank holiday weekend.

The events begin on Friday, May 1, at 7pm in the Project Space with London musician Xolani Mnyaka. He will perform songs by blues singer and guitarist Robert Johnson – the musician some believe sold his soul to the devil in return for his talent.

The performance will take place around David Blandy's installation Crossroads, which explores the mythology surrounding the blues-

■ BY TOM BETTS

man with three gravestones, 29 recorded songs and the only two known photographs.

The performance will culminate with an interpretation of Johnson's 'missing' 30th track composed for the evening.

On Saturday, May 2, musician and composer Helen Caddick takes to Margate's main sands for a bloogle on the beach.

Bloogle tubes, or whirling flutes, produce haunting harmonies when you whirl them; thunder drums will also be played.

Two workshops take place, from 11-11.45am and 2-2.45pm. There will be final performance on the end of Margate Harbour Arm from 4-4.20pm. The workshops and performance are suitable for adults and children aged six and over, and bloogle tubes and thunder drums will be available.

On Saturday evening there will be music on the piazza, beginning at 5pm.

London globalbeat DJ Jamie Renton will play an eclectic mix of classic tunes.

Renton has played extensively in London at such venues as Cargo and 93 Feet East.

The live music continues at 6pm, when Instrumental, an acclaimed string quintet take to the stage. They have been described by The Independent newspaper as "one of the best exponents of classical music in the break beat and jungle arenas".

At 7.30pm, six-piece percussion ensemble BouGaRaBou will take to the stage to bring an intoxicating mix of beats and rhythms to Margate for the first time.

On Sunday, May 3, from 1-4pm in the Project Space, a Sonic Lego workshop will get under way with the director and students of the creative music technology course at Canterbury Christ Church University in which visitors will be able to create their own sound constructions using the latest music technology.

For more information on all events, visit [www.turnercontemporary.org](http://www.turnercontemporary.org).

Picture SIMON MOORES



## A BIT OF THE RIGHT STUFF

They say heroes ride in to save the day on a white horse, but in Westgate it was more of a case of in a white van.

Builder Darren Ellis came to the aid of a local church after rogue traders made a mess of its car park. The cowboy outfit dumped a load of sticky tar at the entrance to St Peter's Roman Catholic Church in Canterbury Road during the run-up to Easter.

The unwanted 'work' was done after church priest Father John Slater (pictured with Mr Ellis) refused to accept the traders' offer of a resurfaced car park – but they started anyway, leaving behind a terrible mess.

It meant the congregation could not use the car park at one of the church's busiest times of year.

The news got round to Westgate builder Mr Ellis and he offered to carry out the work free of charge, delighting Father John and churchgoers.

The car park was repaired on Tuesday morning last week, when the black stuff was chiselled and separated from the original surface before being smoothed down again.

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# Family mourns 'gut-wrenching' loss of Brandon

■ BY TOM BETTS

THE family of a boy who died over the Easter break have said their home will "never be the same again".

Nine-year-old Brandon Wells died on Saturday, April 11, at the junction of St Peter's Road and Broadley Road, Margate.

The St Joseph's Primary School pupil was in a collision involving two cars and died at the scene. He leaves behind mum and dad, Shirene and Michael Wells, and little sister Madison and younger brother Reiss.

Now his close relatives have told of their heartbreak at their loss.

His uncle Richard Wells said: "It is completely gut-wrenching. He was in the wrong place at the wrong time."

"And there is no ill-feeling towards the drivers of the cars."

"We would particularly like to pay tribute to the paramedics, who we know did all they could for Brandon. That must be the emergency services' worst-nightmare call."

## Balloons

Auntie Rachele Wells added: "His house will never be the same again. His brother and sister are so quiet and good – he was the boisterous one, running up and down the stairs, playing rough and tumble."

"It is now unbelievably quiet. It has changed our world forever. You never expect this to happen to your family."

The youngster is pictured on the left of the photo above with his sister Maddisison, two, and brother Reiss, who is seven today.

Maddisison cannot understand why her mum and dad cannot call Brandon on the phone and ask him to come home.

The family have visited the scene of the incident and released nine balloons attached



SAD LOSS: Brandon (left) with his brother and sister

with messages; they also lay flowers, cuddly toys and sweets.

The funeral will be held on Thursday 23 from 11.30am.

A specially-enlarged coffin will carry items his family and friends want to send him off with, including his PSP game and a sealed envelope with a letter from his girlfriend.

His mother will gel his hair as Brandon was always very particular about how it looked.

The service will be conducted by Father David Caine at Our Lady Star of the Sea Roman Catholic Church in Broadstairs.

Beforehand there will be a procession from the family home in Livingstone Road, St Peter's.

A white horse-drawn carriage will continue to St Joseph's Primary School, where friends and teachers will pay their last respects, before it moves on to the church. A choir from the school is due to sing at the service.

Afterwards, the procession will travel along St Peter's Road, pausing at the scene of the collision. It will then carry on to Margate cemetery, where Brandon will be laid to rest.

Kent Police's serious collision investigation unit is appealing for witnesses and anyone with information to come forward. You can phone officers on 01622 798538.

## Increased signage to ward off HGV drivers' illegal parking at Undercliff

LORRIES are still being parked on Ramsgate's Western Undercliff, despite the practice being illegal.

The drivers of the HGVs are repeatedly breaking the law by parking on the approach road to the Port of Ramsgate, and complaints are still being made to Thanet council, which operates the port.

People say the collection of lorries has been creating a bad impression of the town as it is one of the first things people see as they come off the ferries.

The council says that complaints are falling, but the practice has been going on for years and shows no signs of stopping as drivers often park for the night to sleep.

Shirley Tomlinson, Thanet council's Cabinet member for environmental services, said: "While we know this has been a particular problem area. The number of HGV movements here has reduced over the last year as a result of the recession and we have

received fewer complaints from residents."

Cllr Tomlinson added that increased signage telling drivers that parking on the undercliff is illegal will be looked at.

She said: "It is illegal for lorries to park on the Western Undercliff in Ramsgate and those who do so risk enforcement action against them. We are looking into providing additional signage on the undercliff to reinforce this message and will be working more closely with the police."

The council says it has signed up to new technology that will enable it to share data with other European countries to identify persistent rule-breakers.

She said: "We are part of a new network working to improve European policy to allow the sharing of road traffic and travel data between different countries. This would essentially mean that foreign drivers issued with penalty notices can be traced to ensure that they pay their fines."

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NEWS IN BRIEF

## Driver rues costly session

SHOPFITTER Michael McHugh paid a high price when he trashed his firm's Transit while over the limit – he got the sack.

McHugh, 61, of Surrey Road, Cliftonville, appeared in front of Margate magistrates.

Mary Jacobson, prosecuting, said McHugh crashed the Transit into a parked car in Margate Road, Ramsgate, while he was three times over the drink-drive limit.

McHugh had been drinking with a friend and watching football in the Bedford Arms, Ramsgate. He had planned to stay at the friend's house, but they had an argument.

After the crash he told police that he had drunk seven or eight pints and couldn't remember the crash. Paul Shingleton, defending, said McHugh was standing next to the van when police arrived.

McHugh was ordered to do 100 hours community work and banned from driving for two years. He was ordered to pay £60 costs.

## Fund-raisers shelling out

RESIDENTS of a sheltered housing scheme have raised more than £100 for the QEQM Hospital's Rainbow Ward.

They spent Easter raising the money by guessing the number of chocolate eggs in a huge jar. At 20p a guess they had the chance to win the contents. Last year, the residents of Mentmore House in Ramsgate raised money for Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Orbit South Sheltered Housing Scheme's Anna Barrowcliffe went along to the hospital with resident Brenda Setterfield to present the £111.85.

## £15m prevention package

MP Dr Steve Ladyman has welcomed a £15 million funding pledge by Labour's Home Secretary aimed at keeping people safer in their homes.

Jacqui Smith announced a package of support which includes free burglary prevention advice and a crackdown on repeat burglars.

It followed a burglary summit hosted by the Home Secretary in February.

Dr Ladyman said: "Being burgled is every homeowner's worst nightmare. I know constituents who have been victims of this crime – it leaves people feeling vulnerable, violated and unsafe in their own homes."

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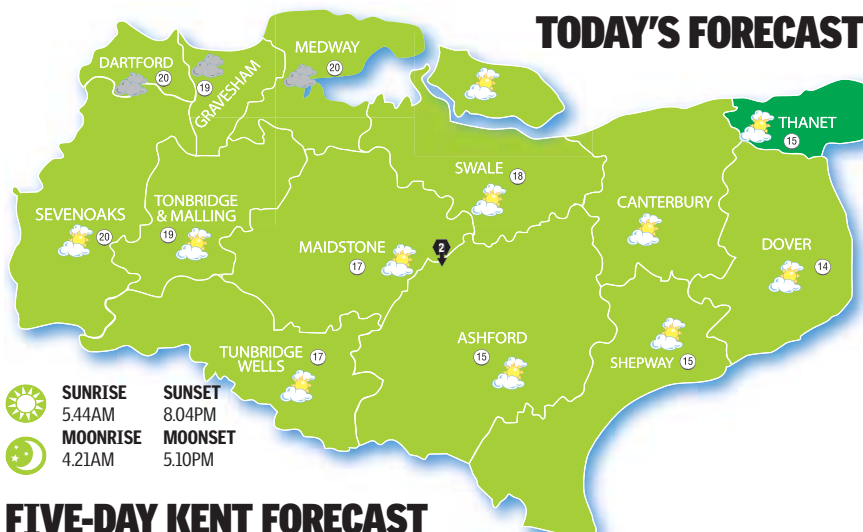


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	Sunday	2:26pm	6.1m
Dover	Saturday	11:47am	6.5m
	Sunday	12:27pm	6.6m
Dungeness	Saturday	12:03pm	7.7m
	Sunday	12:39pm	7.8m
Ramsgate	Saturday	12:17pm	5.0m
	Sunday	12:57pm	5.0m
Sheerness	Saturday	1:38pm	5.8m
	Sunday	2:16pm	5.8m
Whitstable	Saturday	1:41pm	5.1m
	Sunday	2:18pm	5.1m



## AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

Amsterdam	18°C	Madrid	17°C
Athens	20°C	New York	14°C
Barcelona	17°C	Paris	19°C
Beijing	20°C	Rome	17°C
Bombay	32°C	Sydney	19°C
Cape Town	19°C	Tenerife	21°C
Cardiff	14°C	Tokyo	20°C
Gibraltar	21°C	Vancouver	13°C
Hong Kong	28°C	Warsaw	13°C
Las Palmas	22°C	Wellington	13°C

## Casino raises the stakes to £20,000

A HIGH-stakes poker game is coming to the isle. The tournament, at the G Casino in Westwood Cross over the May bank holiday weekend, will offer a huge pot of £20,000 in what could be Thanet's biggest-ever prize win. Poker-faced gamblers from across Kent will be drawn by the promise of a big payout when the Kent Cup finals get under way on Friday, May 1.

It costs £500 to enter outright on the night, with a £50 registration fee. However, the top 50 players from the Kent Cup League will compete for a place at the table on day one, with free seats going to the top ten players.

Playing Texas Hold 'Em, a form of the poker that has become popular in recent years, they will earn a seat at the final tables.

### Massive

Qualifying games to earn a seat at the Kent Cup table will also take place for anyone who wants to compete on Saturday evening (April 25). Entry is £50.

A range of big cash prizes can be won, but the star attraction will be the £20,000 which will end up in someone's pocket on Sunday, May 3, or the next evening if the tournament overruns.

G Casino venue director Peter Donnelly said: "It'll be an exciting event. The poker community is massive and players from all walks of life take part, from people who play at home to those who play online and here at the casino."

"We will have a lot of people playing and some even bring followers of their own, so there should be an excellent atmosphere."

"We usually get a good response for our bigger tournaments and expect a great response this time."

"It should be a great weekend of poker."

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Canterbury	14°C	15°C	17°C	17°C	15°C	Maidstone	18°C	18°C	17°C	17°C	15°C
Chatham	15°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	13°C	Ramsgate	14°C	15°C	17°C	17°C	15°C
Dartford	18°C	18°C	18°C	17°C	16°C	Rochester	15°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	13°C
Dover	14°C	14°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	Sevenoaks	17°C	17°C	16°C	15°C	14°C
Faversham	15°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	13°C	Sittingbourne	15°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	13°C
Folkestone	14°C	14°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	Tonbridge	18°C	18°C	18°C	17°C	16°C
Gillingham	15°C	15°C	15°C	14°C	13°C	Tun Wells	18°C	18°C	18°C	17°C	16°C

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### JANE MARTIN



**Q** Can you tell us a little about yourself?

**A** I was born and brought up in Kent. I have been married to John for 31 years and we have spent most of our married life living in different parts of the world.

I spent a great deal of our time abroad taking visitors – either official ones connected to work, or family and friends – on tours of where we were living.

I always tried to make sure we saw not only the important tourist sites, but also the hidden treasures that were well known to the locals but off the beaten track for large travel companies.

With a lifelong interest in history and my experience of showing visitors around, my dream was to become a driver/guide.

**Q** Can you explain what Tours of the Realm is and how it came about?

**A** Tours of the Realm offers sightseeing tours of rural and historic Britain to small and exclusive groups of up to five people, with a particular focus on Kent and the South East.

Tours of the Realm was founded by Denise Ryeland 15 years ago and when she retired last year I bought the company from her.

**Q** How does Tours of the Realm work?

**A** Generally clients find my website at [www.toursoftherealm.com](http://www.toursoftherealm.com).

They contact me and I put together a personalised itinerary tailored to their interests.

**Q** What client base is Tours of the Realm aimed at?

**A** I market to quite a wide client base... passengers coming in on cruise ships at Dover, visitors to London who want to escape to the country for a day or two, and Britons who want to discover hidden treasures and quirky delights.

**Q** Do you cover just Kent, or further than that?

**A** I focus on Kent and the South East, but this is not exclusive and I am happy to take clients all over the UK.

**Q** What reasons would you give someone visiting Kent to use your services?

**A** For the visitor who likes to travel in comfort in a relaxed and informal way and, most importantly, at their own pace, with a greater degree of personal attention than can be expected from larger travel companies, Tours of the Realm is ideal.

**Q** What is the best thing about your job?

**A** I spend my time going to fascinating places and meeting interesting people. This is what I've always wanted to do and now I am in the position where I get paid to do it.

**Q** And the most challenging thing?

**A** The economic climate.

**Q** What feedback have you had about Tours of the Realm?

**A** Overwhelmingly, visitors say that their experience has been relaxed, informative and fun and that it has given them a taste of the 'real' Britain – and that they hope to come back for more.

**Q** You spend your time touring Kent, so you must have seen a lot of places. What is your favourite part of the county?

**A** I love the Weald with its lovely old villages, windy lanes, world-renowned gardens and beautiful countryside. On the other hand, Romney Marsh is fascinatingly enigmatic whatever the season and you can't help being drawn into it.

Walking along the white cliffs from St Margaret's to Walmer is awe-inspiring and I totally understand why Charles Dickens particularly loved this walk. Kent has so much to choose from that it's impossible to have a favourite area.

**Q** What are your hopes for the year ahead?

**A** That Tours of the Realm continues to attract a lot of interest and I become inundated with bookings.

**Q&A**

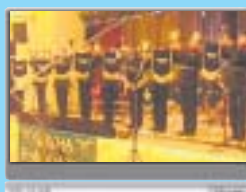
**Marijke Cox** talks to Jane Martin of specialist company Tours of the Realm, which promises to give visitors a taste of 'real' Kent and farther afield by venturing off the more well-worn tourist tracks

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■ BY NICK AMES

COUNTY chiefs will lobby Government ministers to put pressure on their French counterparts to end the misery caused by French strikes in the Channel ports.

They want the Government to seek compensation from the French authorities for businesses and individuals hit by the recent blockade of Calais, Boulogne and Dunkirk by the country's fishermen.

Following Operation Stack being imposed on the M20 for two days last week and the traffic jams this caused on alternative routes, KCC launched the Enough is Enough campaign.

The authority will seek legal advice to establish whether the French State has broken European Union rules regarding the free movement of people and goods.

Its officers say they want to claim compensation from the French Government for the millions of pounds that strike action in the French ports costs Kent's economy.

KCC leader Paul Carter said: "When you consider the misery caused to tens of thousands of Kent people affected by the strikes and the impact on their businesses and travel plans, it is time to say enough is enough and show that we cannot, and will not, put up with these situations any longer.

"We are seeking urgent legal advice to establish whether France has broken the law by allowing the strikes to stop the free movement of people and goods.

"If this is the case we will press the

# Compensation campaign stacks up against French



END THE MISERY: County chiefs will lobby Government to put an end to effects of French strikes and Operation Stack

Government to take this up with the French authorities and press for compensation."

The council feels the protests fuel the damaging perception that Kent is frequently closed for business, resulting in the potential loss of millions of pounds in future investment.

P&O Ferries agreed that action was long overdue.

A spokeswoman said: "This backs up what we have been trying to do throughout this current situation – applying pressure to the French right up to the highest level.

"These disputes seem to be happening more and more frequently. In this case the French Government has offered the fishermen compensation.

"That has to send out the wrong message as it will only encourage them to take similar action in the future.

"On Friday another fleet of fishing boats set off for the French ports but were met by a flotilla of coastguard ships.

"This made them turn back – so it shows that where the will exists they can be stopped from bringing disruption to cross-Channel traffic."

A spokesman for LD Lines added: "As the newest operator from Dover we are greatly concerned about how services are being affected.

"We'd support any action being called for and we are very frustrated that we can't provide advertised services."

Anyone affected by the impact of these strikes, should email their experiences and comments to [enoughisenough@kent.gov.uk](mailto:enoughisenough@kent.gov.uk) so that they can be included in the KCC campaign.

## Kent has growing responsibility for smuggled children through ports

A SENIOR County Hall official has spoken of the "parental responsibility" he feels towards the growing number of vulnerable children being smuggled through Kent ports.

Bill Anderson, director of children's social services at Kent County Council, said one reason for the increasing influx of young people into the county was because of tightened security measures at airports.

New figures obtained under the Freedom of Information Act found KCC took 474 children into its care between April and

December last year.

But during that period 86 of the young people went missing, making them vulnerable to sexual and economic exploitation.

Nationally, the figures show there has been a 90 per cent increase compared to the amount of trafficked children arriving over the last three years.

KCC has to handle the highest amount of young people coming into the UK.

Mr Anderson said the largest proportion of 'unaccompanied minors' came from

Afghanistan, with a high numbers also from Eritrea, Iran and Iraq.

He said: "We are very mindful of the threats to these young people in terms of economic and sexual exploitation.

"They come from situations of considerable political instability where the security of the state has broken down, the state is incredibly corrupt and they are enormously distrustful of authority.

"This is compounded by their fear of being deported.

"It is not surprising that a lot of the young people, who can be quite resilient, trust the networks they have established.

"The evidence we have is that the vast majority disappear almost certainly for these reasons, not that they are being exploited sexually or economically, but because they are suspicious of the state."

But he added: "We have a parental responsibility to these young people and we do everything we can to protect them, keep them safe and give them effective support."

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# Where east Kent meets the Orient

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The Surin Thai restaurant, tucked away near the harbour in Ramsgate, may specialise in Thai, Lao and Cambodian cuisine, but its mouth-watering meals comprise of some of the finest home-grown produce.

Owner and chef Damrong Garbutt explains: "I love cooking so much and trying different recipes and dishes, and I make each one with love.

"And of course the food has to be really tasty and fresh – that's why my food miles should be measured in metres."

Vegetables are bought daily from Ramsgate market just down the road from the restaurant. Mrs Garbutt searches out the best cuts of meats and fresh fish from the local butchers and the catch of the day from the harbour.

Even the specialist Thai sauces and chillies are bought from local Asian supermarkets in Ramsgate and Canterbury.

It is a combination of the near and far which not only endears the restaurant to an ever-increasing number of regular diners, but to critics too, who have so far been lavish in praise.

Harden's restaurant guide describes Surin as the "best Thai restaurant in Kent" and one of only three Thai restaurants recognised outside London. Already reviewed by



**SURIN FARE:** Locally-caught sea bass and traditional green curry – mouth-watering

the Michelin Guide, Mrs Garbutt is crossing her fingers for a Michelin star, which would make her the only such Thai chef and restaurant in the world.

Observer Food critic Jay Rayner described Surin as "simply the best Thai meal I have ever eaten".

All of which is very much in keeping with KOS Media's 2009 campaign to encourage our readers to demand locally sourced and produced food and drink.

## Generations

Not only does putting money back into the local economy, but it cuts down on the environmentally unfriendly distance such produce travels from source to our dinner table.

Typical items of the menu include Thai dumplings made with Kent pork and fresh crabmeat. Then there's Whitstable oysters dipped in hot chilli and shallot sauce.

And the main dish is fresh sea bass with

in-season Kentish asparagus or a Thai red curry with partridge from the farm just down the road.

Mrs Garbutt said: "I am committed to using as much fresh, seasonal Kent produce as possible. It is unusual for an Oriental restaurant. We have searched out local suppliers for nearly every ingredient used."

And while she admits the recipes have been passed down through her generations to ensure an authentic experience, she remains thoroughly committed to every dish's ingredients originating in Kent.

Her efforts have been acknowledged too. She has won a Kent County Council Environment Award and a Green Tourism recommendation, as well as several Kent Business awards, and is recommended by The Good Food Guide and Time Out.

Even the Thai Embassy in London recommends Surin as one of the best Thai restaurants in Europe.



## Basket price comparison

Sample baskets contain: Granary bread, two pints milk, 1l tonic water, 4 x 150ml yoghurts, 4 x Spitfire Beer (500ml), 500g Red Grapes, 1kg apples, 1kg Conference pears, 4 x oranges, 1 x melon, 1kg plums, 2kg potatoes, 1kg onions, 1kg carrots, 1kg leeks, 1 x red cabbage, 500g cherry tomatoes, 500g purple sprouting, 1 x large cauliflower, 400g salmon fillets, 500g Cumberland sausages, 250g back bacon, 500g braising steak. Closest match applied. Excludes Express and Metros. Excludes delivery charge. Red number indicates price difference. Source mysupermarket.com as of April 15, 2009.

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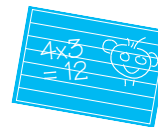
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## BREAK TIME

## How! And why not?

THE world of the Native American is being explored at St Peter's Junior School.

Pupils made head-dresses, teepees, totem poles and dreamcatchers as part of the creative curriculum initiative.

All year groups were involved in learning about the indigenous people of America as part of the



national curriculum. Meanwhile, North America is one of seven creative continent days being held by the Family Learning project. Planned for July 18-19, it will involve camping at the school for the weekend. Griffin Historical staff will oversee archery, gold-panning and lassoing lessons. They will also be cooking round a campfire. Attendance will earn families a stamp for their world passport collection. For more information, call 01843 861430.

## Global citizens band

PUPILS at Chatham House Grammar are planning to communicate with people in orbit around the world.

A link with an international space station has been achieved by amateur radio buffs at the Ramsgate school.

They did not speak with the astronaut – the team made contact via a link in Cambridge – direct voice contact is planned in future. The after-school radio club run by head of physics John Hislop is forging links around the world.

Mr Hislop said: "Working with home-made transmitters is a great way to inspire pupils to find out about science and technology."

# Academy's visionary free eye tests offer

■ BY TOM BETTS

STUDENTS at the Marlowe Academy in Ramsgate will receive free eye checks as part of a deal with opticians Specsavers.

The school's 547 children are eligible for the tests at the Margate branch.

Graham Moore, manager at Specsavers in Margate, believes the initiative could well be the first of its kind in Thanet.

He said: "Each pupil will be offered basic screening to check field vision and test for colour defects.

"The screening will be carried out by three Specsavers staff.

"If we detect any problems, students will be given an information pack and given contact details so that their parents or carers can book an appointment for a full eyesight test.

"Children aged under 16 are entitled to free glasses."

The deal is free to the Marlowe and was negotiated by Amanda Mulvihill, who is administration and community manager at the academy.

She said: "Letters are being sent out to parents and carers to tell them about the scheme. Each test will take about six minutes.

"Specsavers will conduct a school assembly to talk to our pupils about what happens during an eye test and how important it is. The eye tests will then be held throughout the day."



SEE HERE: Marlowe Academy students will be offered free eye checks at the Margate branch of Specsavers

Students from the academy's years seven, eight, nine and ten will be covered by the scheme. School staff are hoping to negotiate a similar deal for hearing tests for their stu-

dents. Principal Ian Johnson said: "The health and wellbeing of our students – ensuring that they are fit and able to learn – is an important aspect of the academy's role."

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The latest dispute across the Channel might give us cause to reflect on our own beliefs



## Let's rejuvenate our disruptive side and say oui to the unions

NIGEL Farage, the Kent-based leader of the UK Independence Party, was drafted in to speak on BBC Radio Kent last week on the issue of the striking French fishermen.

Most of the conversation went along exactly the sort of lines you would expect.

But of interest was Mr Farage's claim that British workers could do a lot worse than take a leaf out of the books of their French cousins and kick up some good old-fashioned industrial action.

He claimed, however, that us Brits would never do such things as strike or stand up for our rights as "it wasn't very British".

Clearly we're all far too busy selecting our next bowler hat while sipping Earl Grey and discussing the cricket season than to dirty our hands displaying some industrial backbone.

Or, of course, it could simply be that not all that long ago a certain Prime Minister decided to crush trade unions to within an inch of their disruptive lives.

Mr Farage is not that much of an old-timer, admittedly, but surely he has some recollection of the 70s when the British workforce stood up for what they believed in and, fuelled by considerable union clout, they demonstrated that striking was a sport Britain could genuinely claim they were something of a specialist at.

So by the time Mrs Thatcher rolled along at the end of that decade, few could really argue that things were good for our efficiency as a country. Of course, the Iron Lady went too far – demolishing the power of the worker by clamping down and diluting unions to the point today when so few actually carry any clout at all.

The miners' strike was hardly a shining example of decorum, Mr Farage.

If you're a public sector worker, the chances

are there is still a weight in numbers. If not, then union membership brings little other than half-price training seminars, monthly magazines and little workplace clout.

It has nothing to do with raising a fuss, not being 'British' or other such old guff, and everything to do with the British government of yesteryear beating it out of everyone.

Now, of course, we've gone full circle. Now we tut and roll our eyes when the French stand up for themselves. We tap into a latent xenophobia to condemn them.

I'm not for one moment suggesting their stance on fishing quotas was correct, or the disruption caused on this side of the Channel was justified. But at least they can take a stance on what they believe in. And surely that's very British, isn't it?

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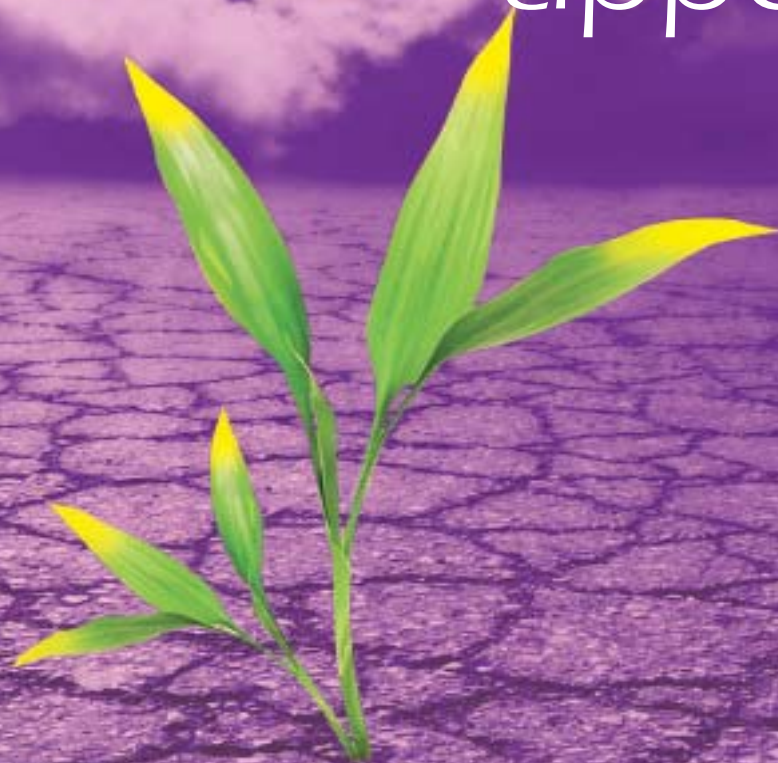
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## TALK TIME

### MATTHEW COLLINS

The manager of the Bell Inn, Sandwich, talks about golf, celebrity guests and how driving past the Barbican for the first time felt like arriving home



#### Is it true the Bell Inn is already fully booked for golf's Open Championship?

Yes, we are fortunate we are the only hotel in Sandwich and have always had a good relationship with the golf clubs and golfing groups. Our regulars know we book up quickly and so it did not take long before we sold the whole week for the Open.

#### How do you think the surrounding towns will benefit from the Open?

Having a tournament like this will bring people from all over the world. The ripple effect will certainly help local B&Bs, hotels and restaurants in the towns and villages, not only on the week of the Open but in the months leading up to the tournament.

#### What is your favourite thing about Sandwich?

It has to be the quaint little alleys, quirky street names and remarkably well-preserved houses, none of which are ruler straight, in and around the centre of Sandwich. I moved down here two years ago and from the very first day driving across the old toll bridge and past the Barbican I knew Sandwich was a hidden gem and the place for me.

#### Do you get many celebrities staying at the hotel?

Celebrities, including some of the famous golfers, do stay here on and off on an ad hoc basis.

## Merger by stealth could save us cash

The merging of the human resources departments of Thanet, Shepway, Canterbury and Dover councils looks suspiciously like the beginning of the end for local democracy.

It is the intention of the EU to create large unitary authorities within its regional assemblies, which are already doing its dirty work.

Now, once again by stealth, we will soon have the unitary authorities in place, ready for the next moves towards the scrapping of all local councils.

However, while the UK Independence Party opposes Brussels taking more control over us, I think we could make good use of this idea of merging services for ourselves.

There has been much talk about the high number of overpaid pen-pushers in all local councils.

So let's sack all the chief executives and the rest of the staff and employ just one capable general manager, with only the necessary amount of staff to run the new, larger area created by merging the above councils.

And pay them a sensible wage and make sure they all pay for their own pension schemes.

The savings on salaries and gold-plated final salary pensions would be a fortune. The money saved could help bring down council tax and also be used for

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improving public services which have suffered so badly.

Roger Arnold  
Herne Bay

## Forgotten peril of shipping pollution

Before contemplating further expansion of the ports of Dover and Ramsgate, it is time we considered the serious air pollution problems caused by shipping.

As recently as February, scientific research suggested that shipping emitted half as much pollution in the form of particulates as all the world's cars put together.

However, this has proved to be a massive underestimate. New evidence suggests that 15 of the world's biggest ships emit as much air pollution as all the world's cars.

The US is creating a 230-mile low-emission shipping zone around its coast to combat air pollution and it is time Europe did the same.

Both our own Government's Maritime and Coastguard Agency and the Air Pollution and Climate Secretariat in Sweden have expressed concern about the need for international action.

Rapid improvements in technology will make shipping more efficient, reduce air pollution and protect jobs that

are now dependent on the diminishing global stocks of oil.

If employment is to be protected and justifiably expanded in ports like Dover and Ramsgate, marine pollution cannot be neglected.

However, my support for domestic tourism means I believe the leisure potential of our coastal towns should be enhanced by public and private investment in better facilities.

It is not acceptable to plan for the number of heavy goods vehicles going through Kent's ports to rise, as if this was all these ports could offer.

Bear in mind that about 24,000 people die from air pollution in the UK each year.

I will be taking further action on these matters.

Caroline Lucas MEP  
Green Party

## Working together to create isle jobs

On top of the usual 'return to work' funding, the Labour government has put a further £4 million into the isle through Thanet Works to support businesses and help get people into work.

Substantial other funds are available to support education and apprenticeships.

As a district councillor, I have urged using this money for partnerships with small local businesses.

However, when I was recently contacted by the mother of a

16-year-old who is doing a plumbing course at college, I was surprised to hear he was having difficulty finding a placement.

I have emailed the relevant officer at Thanet council suggesting that there be more publicity on what is available and I hope those students and traders who need help will receive it before it is all spent.

Cllr Iris Johnston,  
Chair, North Thanet Labour Party

## Fabulous evening from Lonnie's boy

On Saturday, April 4, thanks to the efforts of Birchington-on-Sea Bowls Club and in particular Bill Furness, those at a packed Birchington Centre were treated to a superb evening of skiffle that the great, late Lonnie Donegan made famous.

The superb group that presented the cornucopia of stimulating music was led by Lonnie Donegan Jnr – the great musician's son.

The hall reverberated not only to the music but also the tapping of feet and clapping of hands to the wonderful rhythm and musical magic.

I could not see anyone sitting still in their chair, while all appeared entranced and part of the musical extravaganza.

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the excellent effort by the village centre staff in providing an ambience that augmented an enjoyable and memorable evening.

Jack Cohen  
Birchington

## Bernard led us to a wonderful victory

I would like to thank respected village campaigner Bernard La Roche, as well hard-working Birchington councillors Julie Francis, John Worrow and Jean Fleming, for organising what will probably be known as Phase 3 of the anti-arcade campaign.

It was wonderful to see the planning committee vote against a proposal that would have changed Birchington forever.

However, if this proposal goes to appeal, it will not only show us the level of respect that the amusement developer has for the residents of Birchington, it will probably also trigger what could be called Phase 4 of the anti-arcade campaign.

The campaign is as much about protecting our village identity, as it is about stopping an arcade or so-called amusement centre.

It needs to be said that most of us living in Birchington are far from greedy and, like many others across the isle, we have worked hard all our lives so we can afford to live in a nice home in a lovely location.

Mr Carter  
Birchington

## Estate jibe revealed thinking of a snob

It is disappointing but no surprise that Margaret Walton (last week's letters) should introduce the class element to bolster her opposition to the proposed amusement arcade in Birchington.

Her making disparaging reference to my residence on a "council estate" suggests that the tenet of her argument is based on nothing more than snobbery.

Amusement arcades are dotted throughout Thanet's towns and are not, as far I'm aware, a cause for concern about antisocial behaviour. Perhaps Ms Walton or those who support her views could produce evidence to the contrary.

To rope in Mother Teresa to her side gave the issue a bizarre twist and was, if I may say so, in very poor taste.

Incidentally, is she aware that Margaret Thatcher sold the council estates and consequently they are now by and large private estates – not quite so exclusive as her Minnis Bay locale but none the worse for that.

Robert Muir  
Westgate-on-Sea

## I can think of a good use for listed cages

I write regarding the fact that the steel cages used by Lord George

Sagner in his Hall By The Sea are to be listed for preservation.

Once these cages are cleaned and back in use, could we use them to lock up the leader of Thanet council, Sandy Ezekiel?

What an insult to voters to have this man in control.

No, that's not the right word, this is the second time he has brought his office into disrepute.

Thanet council, get your house in order, do the right thing and remove him. The people of Thanet deserve better – now!

I read the papers weekly and the letters pages cannot be wrong – the good people deserve better.

This council must be a laughing stock when it comes to standards.

Please go. There is no place for people like you, Cllr Ezekiel.

Trevor Shonk (UKIP)  
Ramsgate

## Don a bowler and show English pride

Apparently the beret is back as a symbol of French pride, with younger people across the Channel deciding to sport a garment which many thought had gone for good outside of old episodes of 'Allo! 'Allo!

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Stuart Stanhope  
by email

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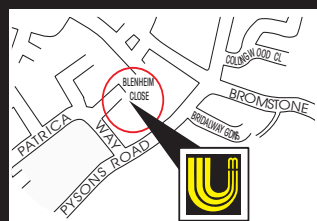
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Sir Weller (surely it's only a matter of time) will be joined by indie superstars Editors, Doves and Super Furry Animals as well as

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Mystery Jets, Ladyhawke and 2ManyDJs.

The opening day's offering is just as strong, with headliner The Fratellis, Echo and the Bunnymen, Florence and the Machine, Noah and the Whale and Pigeon Detectives already among the confirmed acts.

No wonder Red List Live decided to postpone its inaugural event until next summer – tickets to the Hop Farm Festival are going to sell out in record time.

HFF boss Vince Power said he was thrilled with the first wave of confirmed artists and promised to add more major stars to the bill in the coming weeks.

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Supported by the Adam Mickiewicz Institute and the Polish Cultural Institute, the festival – which takes the theme Polish Connections – will provide the chance for Kent people to find out what contemporary music from that country has to offer. It will be one of the flagship events of Polska Year, the international Polish cultural season which comes to the UK this year.

The highlight of the festival will be a performance of Krzysztof Penderecki's *St Luke Passion* in Canterbury Cathedral on Saturday, May 2, conducted by the composer himself.

It has long been an ambition for the festival team to bring Penderecki to Canterbury and it will be the first time the piece has been heard in the UK for nearly 30 years.

It will be performed by soloists, three leading Polish choirs and the Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra. The narrator will be Jerzy



**TUNE IN:** An impressive variety of acts will introduce listeners to the wonders of Polish music

Trela, described as “the Kenneth Branagh of Poland”.

This festival has been organised with a key concept in mind – accessibility. Contemporary Music-Making for Amateurs, or CoMA, will be holding a residency linked to the festival and an international conference on Polish music will be at Canterbury Christ Church University, including Penderecki among the speakers.

Film fans can also get involved and discover the influence Poland has had on the big screen with the film weekend at the Gulbenkian Cinema.

The festival will get off to a grand start with a concert by the Royal Scottish Academy Brass and members of the Philharmonia Brass, conducted by trumpet virtuoso John Wallace. Not only will it feature two UK premieres, one of which has been

composed by Penderecki, but the programme also includes a world premiere of Marek Pasieczny's *New Work*.

Festival-goers will discover all sorts of different music – the programme at Orange Street Music Venue includes a concert by jazz stars Evan Parker and Paul Booth, along with more experimental sounds.

This Saturday, the Gulbenkian Theatre will host a concert by The Motion Trio, a group which truly encapsulates the magic and melancholy of Eastern Europe. With their rock energy, Metallica-style look and thrilling acoustic sound, they will cast accordion-playing in a whole new light.

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Mutton has enjoyed successful runs at the Edinburgh Festival and is now on tour to bring cheer to women across the country.

Julia Munrow trained at RADA and has worked as a stage and screen actress, director, writer and artistic director of MOMI Actors. From an early appearance



on Coronation Street, Donna Flinn went on to tour with the Osmond Brothers and appear at the Academy Awards in Hollywood, before becoming a stand-up comedian. Jean Heard has appeared in long-running

stage comedy No Sex Please We're British, TV shows Grange Hill and The Bill and various films.

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £12/£10. To book, call 0845 130 1786 or 01227 787787.

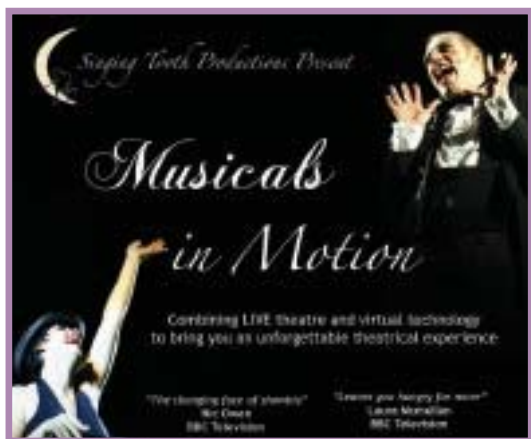
## MUSICALS IN MOTION

Friday, April 24  
Granville Theatre, Ramsgate

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the atmosphere of a West End theatre. The show took more than a year to put together, at a cost of more than £300,000.

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## COPPELIA

Sunday, May 3  
Winter Gardens, Margate

THE enchanting story of a couple in love and an eccentric toymaker is told in the classic ballet Coppelia.

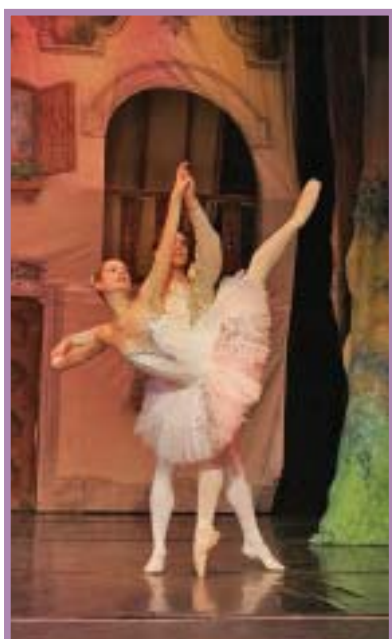
Vienna Festival Ballet presents the production which follows the fortunes of a betrothed couple whose happiness is threatened when the groom comes across a life-size dancing doll, created by a local inventor.

To show him the error of his ways, his fiancée dresses as the doll and pretends to come to life in a tale full of humour, triumph and love.

The traditional ballet offers a heart-warming story, glamorous costumes, gorgeous sets and some stunning performances by the dancers as they bring this magical story to life. Vienna Festival Ballet has successfully performed classical ballets all over the world and this production will appeal to families and anyone who appreciates beautiful dance.

The performance starts at 5pm and ticket cost £17/£15 for adults, £8 for children and £45 for families of four.

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## THANET LEISURE

### Period pram wanted for use in the theatre

A THEATRE director is appealing for help to track down an important prop.

Jean Selfe is staging a Noel Coward play, This Happy Breed, at the Granville Theatre in Ramsgate on July 2 to 4 and needs a 1930s baby pram, as the play is set between the two World Wars.

If anyone can lend a pram or knows where she could find one, please call 01843 845402 or 01843 855000.

### You can tune in to the future of Bandstand

A FANTASTIC programme of events will be on Ramsgate's Bandstand this year.

The next event will be the fair during the first weekend in May and people are invited to find out more about the new management team that is reviving the Bandstand's image. Anyone who would like to help should call 07969 672674, visit [www.ramsgatebandstand.co.uk](http://www.ramsgatebandstand.co.uk), or join the Bandstand group on Facebook.

### Trio host an afternoon of classic performance

THE Litmus Trio presents an afternoon of classical music at the Sarah Thorne Theatre Club, Broadstairs.

Flautist Hannah Lang, cellist Peter Adams and pianist Peter Hewitt will perform works by Mozart, Haydn, Shostakovich and Beethoven at the Memorial Theatre in Hilderstone at 3pm on Sunday.

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## Virgin luxury traveller's LA break

BY CATHY GORDON

UNTIL recently I was proud of budget globe-trotting – doing everything on a shoestring, with enough left over for bargain buys in the departure lounge.

But, after a recent foray into the world of Posh and Becks et al, my head has been well and truly turned.

My trip to that Mecca of showbiz, Los Angeles, began with a limo arriving at my humble abode to whisk me to Heathrow. Sadly, it was too early for all but one of my neighbours to witness such a grand departure.

Once through the dedicated security channel, I went pronto to the flagship Virgin Clubhouse. No battling the crowds and queues for new VIP-me, that's for sure.

Instead of my usual schlep around the shops, I relaxed with a complimentary coiffure in the clubhouse salon before entering the hitherto unknown world of upper-class flying. I may need counselling the next time I go economy.

On arrival at LAX airport, I felt as fresh as a newly-minted starlet.

Yet another limo whisked me and my companions to Santa Monica, a favourite seaside haunt of the rich and famous.

Location is all. One simply must holiday where one can step straight from one's hotel onto the beach and dabble one's tootsies in the Pacific.

Staying at either Shutters On The Beach Hotel or Casa del Mar next to it fits the bill perfectly. I got the opulent Casa del Mar, and it was so exhausting sitting on my private terrace outside my room.

It was also very stressing, on arrival, trying



**ATMOSPHERE:** Santa Monica is full of character. Soak it all up with a walk along the sand to the historic pier

to ignore the huge four-poster bed. I still had a full day ahead because of the time difference. The show must go on!

The atmosphere of Santa Monica is laid-back and full of character, some of it wonderfully quirky. Soak it all up with a walk along the sand to the historic pier.

Santa Monica is ideal for families or couples, as it has lots of opportunities for sport, good places to eat to fit every budget and marvelous shopping for WAGS, with loads of stores within walking distance of the seafront.

I tried not to be distracted by a passing school of dolphins just yards away and instead turned my attention to lunch.

Try the Lobster seafood restaurant for, well, its delicious lobster. It also serves up bowls of ultra-skinny, to-die-for fries. I bet not many get past the lips of the size zero brigade though.

It is a fascinating eye-opener seeing how the other half lives, particularly in LA. For those of us without a bottomless pocket or a lottery win

behind us, a few days of posh hotels, fine food, hot and cold-running cocktails and pampering treatments galore is a great experience.

I was only there for three nights and it has provided me with dinner party tales ever since. Sadly, I didn't spot a single celebrity – just someone I could have sworn was an actress who used to be in Emmerdale.

The very name Beverly Hills conjures up images of fame and opulence – you can virtually smell the money.

If you can drag yourself away from the pool and the spa, you will find plenty to see in LA. A good way to see the sights, including the Hollywood sign, is an organised tour.

Apparently one of the best areas for spotting screen icons is West Hollywood, where they often hang out. Here, you also find plenty of art and design shops and galleries.

And for designer goodies, no trip to LA is complete without a mooch along Rodeo Drive, even if you only window-shop.



### FACT FILE: CALIFORNIA

Time difference	-8 hours (GMT)
Capital	Sacramento
Language	English
Population	36.7 million
Currency	Dollar (\$1.2 to £1 approx)
Religion	Christianity
Climate	Mediterranean

### Travel details

Cathy Gordon travelled to Los Angeles as a guest of Virgin Atlantic and stayed at the Casa del Mar Hotel in Santa Monica and The Peninsula Hotel in Beverly Hills.

Full Upper-Class fare Heathrow-LA is £3,515, including taxes and charges, limos to and from airport at both ends, Upper-Class Wing (with private security corridor) at Heathrow, LHR Clubhouse with complimentary beauty treatments plus access to Clubhouse at LAX and priority boarding.

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## YOUR TV REVIEW

■ BY TOM BETTS

**THE HOSPITAL**  
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**THE APPRENTICE**  
BBC1, 9pm, Wednesday

CONGRATULATIONS must go to Channel 4 for their new documentary series *The Hospital* – which proves that sometimes the best drama is right under our noses.

The first two episodes were especially brilliant, as we looked at the ways a typical NHS casualty deals with the horrors of the weekend.

Binge-drinking hordes crashed through the swinging doors in a seemingly never-ending stream of stupidity.

Stumbling around in their droves, shouting, vomiting and swearing their way into the staff's bad books, it was difficult not to feel sorry for those who have to deal with the fall out of a typical weekend as Britain blows off steam.

It brought home just how much the fights, drunkenness and all round bad behaviour seem to have become little more than par for the course.

It was interspersed with more pressing matters too, moments which – when set against the treatment of drunken teenagers who perhaps brought their own fate on themselves – were heart-breaking and disturbing in equal measure.

Especially moving was the access to the family who came to the ward after their son – and brother – had been involved in a major accident from which he would never wake.

Access to this kind of thing, even if it was very upsetting, is to be applauded and *The Hospital* is a slice of extraordinary television that deserves your attention.

After a rather lacklustre start (when



**SWEET:** Sir Alan Sugar is on fine form dealing with his wannabe apprentices this series

one contestant even pulled out before the first task) it's good to see the latest series of *The Apprentice* picking up a bit of steam.

Never really boring, the hour zips by and before you know it Sir Al, is in the boardroom dispensing the insults and giving the finger to some hapless wannabe.

It's difficult to say that anyone has really shone so far, so all bets are still off, but how Noorul hasn't got the boot God alone knows.

You never know; perhaps tonight's the night.

If I were a betting man I'd probably have a sly fiver on that Geordie chap Philip, mainly as he seems the least likely to drop a major clanger.

Alan Sugar has been on fine form too and seems even less tolerant than in previous series, which means we can expect more classic phrases like "a load of old toot" and that's never a bad thing.

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19)  
NEGOTIATING a property deal looks good this week. This is a wonderful time to buy or sell a piece of property. Be prepared to negotiate for a better interest rate. This could save you a large amount of hard-earned cash. A long awaited cheque could finally arrive.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762



**TAURUS** (Apr 21-May 21)  
IT may be time to take a romantic relationship a step further. If you're looking for love, you could find it inside a professional organisation. A friend is encouraging you to take a creative risk. It's time to expand your repertoire, even if you're not sure how to proceed.

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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23)  
TALKS with your boss will be productive. Go ahead and ask for a rise. It's long overdue. If you're looking for a job, you could find a lucrative one in your desired field. An unexpected refund, inheritance or gift makes life a little bit easier. Take the time to smell the flowers.

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**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)  
TALKS with a business contact or romantic partner will be productive. Be honest, but constructive when you speak your mind. You have a tendency to hit below the belt when you get angry. If you avoid this temptation, you'll soon reach a new understanding.

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**PISCES** (Feb 20-Mar 20)  
YOU could be making a very serious long-term commitment this week. Having a supportive person in your corner will make life much easier. You're tired of having the weight of the world on your shoulders. Fortunately, your partner is poised to assume their share of the burden.

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**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22)  
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**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23)  
YOUR patience helps you acquire some valuable insight and expertise. Teaching, writing or lecturing could put extra money in your pocket. It's possible you could get an all expenses paid trip to share your knowledge. If you're single, you have a good chance of finding love.

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**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov 23-Dec 21)  
IT'S important to get the treatment you need for a minor health or stress problems before it really gets you down. Things are looking good on the home front. This is a great week to host a big family gathering or invite the neighbours round for a drink or a coffee.

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A SECRET love affair could be adding a welcome dash of spice to your life. Financial negotiations may not go the way you want. Wait until next week to discuss money with your boss. You could find some attractive bargains this week for a very good price.

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**CANCER** (Jun 23-Jul 23)  
LEARNING new skills will be challenging, but it will expand your professional horizons. The more you know about a subject, the easier it will be to get a steady job. You'll also make some good friends among your fellow students. A legal dispute could go in your favour.

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**LIBRA** (Sep 24-Oct 23)  
YOU have every reason to be suspicious of any financial deal that seems too good to be true. Keep your money where it is safe and you can get instant access to it. A great job offer could fall into your lap. Although the work will be far from easy, it will draw on your creative talent.

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**CAPRICORN** (Dec 22-Jan 20)  
PUTTING your hard-won knowledge to work will be very satisfying. This is your chance to prove just how valuable you are to the people around you. A note or phone call gives your spirits a lift. It's nice to know your powers of attraction are operating at full strength.

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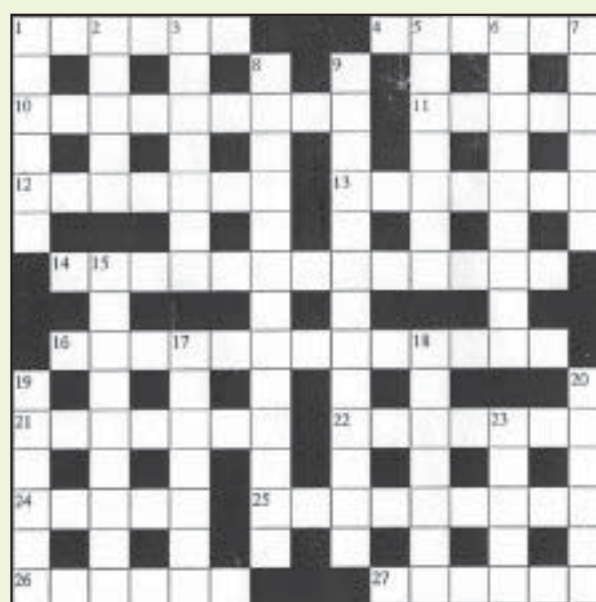
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- 1 Assumed I could have included practitioner (6)  
4 After six, Greek character took Mum into deity (6)  
10 Put into play (9)  
11 Enlist short turn in Parisian style first (5)  
12 Give new vigour to computer? (7)  
13 Less than 50 per cent of hot flan cooked (3,4)  
14 Got round state with liking for something that comes with experience (8,5)  
16 A Nile conquest could be following as a result (13)  
21 Enquire about an establishment indirectly (7)  
22 Indeed extra lines included turning to the right (7)  
24 One in bewilderment had cereal (5)  
25 Grasp purse in America lady might be carrying (6,3)  
26 Vague Mary with Ed confused (6)  
27 Player's boots I repaired (6)

### DOWN

- 1 Recent form ships followed (6)  
2 Grumpy diminutive person (5)  
3 French cat going over water at castle (7)  
5 Still one article on type of selling (7)  
6 Simple brew (6,3)  
7 Morally raise higher, 51 feet (6)  
8 Regular recurrence on radio (4,9)  
9 Diminutive lady had terrible sensational book (5-8)  
15 Timely way to go (9)  
17 Star be before morning light (7)  
18 One might hail its advance (7)  
19 Stuck in the traffic? (6)  
20 Frustrate bandleader Ray (6)  
23 Priest to grab bionic part (5)

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### ACROSS

- 1 Burlesque (6)  
4 Congestion of events (6)  
10 Fragrance (9)  
11 Devil (5)  
12 Russian dramatist (7)  
13 Alight (7)  
14 Successful run (7,6)  
16 Too difficult to understand (5,4,4)  
21 In a nery state (7)  
22 Shorter and thicker (7)  
24 Chemically inactive (5)  
25 Round boiled sweet (9)  
26 Web (6)  
27 Soporific (6)

### DOWN

- 1 Buccaneering (6)  
2 Dirge (anag.) (5)  
3 Sea-mammal (7)  
5 Senior citizen (7)  
6 Cajun dish (9)  
7 Membrane enveloping brain (6)  
8 Game between unequals (6,7)  
9 Words at start of race (5,6,2)  
15 Intermediate (2-7)  
17 Of plants (7)  
18 Hit in baseball (4,3)  
19 Whimsical (6)  
20 Dowdy (6)  
23 Snow-house (5)

# LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

## SUDOKU SOLUTIONS No83

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## CRYPTIC SOLUTION No83

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11 Asset 12 Revised Version 15 Pear 17  
Moped 19 Daze 21 Requisitioning 23 Toast  
24 Jackknife 26 Rance 27 Insomniac.  
DOWN: 1 Jester 2 Stopover 3 Uncle Sam  
4 Gnat 5 Theatre 6 Brassica 7 Bystander  
13 Depot 14 Spare tyre 16 Acquaint 18  
Doorknob 19 Deigning 20 Sixteen 22  
Guffaw 25 Aunt.

## QUICK SOLUTION No84

19 Quant 20 Frumpy 23 Igloo  
go 15 In-between 17 Vegetal 18 Home run  
7 Meninx 8 Uneven contest 9 Ready Steady  
2 Ridge 3 Dolphin 5 Oldster 6 Jamabaya  
26 Tangle 27 Snoozy  
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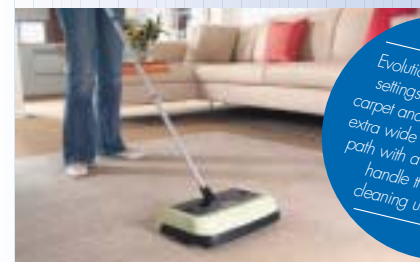


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### MONSTERS VS ALIENS (PG)



When Susan Murphy (Reese Witherspoon) grows to 49ft 11in, she is taken to a secret government compound that houses a selection of monsters who are called upon to save the world.

# Good and healthy for Viggo to feel the fear

■ BY SUSAN GRIFFIN

**PLAYING** Aragorn in The Lord Of The Rings trilogy may have made Viggo Mortensen a household name, but he's still uneasy with fame.

Even now, more than five years on, the 49-year-old with the chiselled cheekbones seems a little shellshocked by the experience.

"The only person who was really world famous when we started making the trilogy was Liv Tyler," he says.

"But that all changed when the first movie came out – it changed things a great deal.

"I'm glad to have been a part of that, primarily because of the friendships I made and I got to spend a lot of time in New Zealand, which is a beautiful country," he says.

"I'll always have a place in my heart for that experience, but on a practical level it also gave me the chance to play roles like Halder."

Viggo's talking about John Halder, the soft-spoken lecturer he depicts in his latest film, Good. Set in 1930s Germany, the movie is different from the typical Nazi-themed fare.

"Hundreds of movies have been made since the war relating to Germans at the time," Viggo explains.

"Even the ones out this year – The Reader, The Boy In The Striped Pyjamas, Defiance – don't really deal with the early '30s, the beginning of it, before people really knew where it would go, before people came to have associations with the swastika. In the early '30s it was just the flag of the country. Most movies are made with the benefit of hindsight. This story's just about regular people."

The film's last scene is particularly powerful. It ends abruptly and unexpectedly, leaving



**VIGGO MORTENSEN:** Superstar still uneasy with fame

viewers to digest what they've just seen. "The best stories are the ones that when the screen goes black at the end, you ask yourself 'Well, now what?'" Viggo says.

"It's more of an implosion than an explosion at the end. It has this nagging quality that makes you revisit and reconsider the film."

Defying popular movie convention, the entire cast speak with English accents.

"I think it makes total sense. Sometimes it's just disconcerting when it's a mixture, like in Valkyrie," Viggo says.

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"The problem is that no matter how good the dialogue and how well the story's told, some people are listening to how you're speaking, not what you're speaking about."

Good marks a departure from the action films Viggo's been associated with recently, particularly A History Of Violence and Eastern Promises.

"I do think about challenging myself," he says, when asked how he chooses roles.

"Say it's a good story and it's a character I could feasibly play, then the question is, is there something scary about it?"

"Is there a risk that I might not be able to pull it off? If that's there, that's the final incentive because I think a little fear is healthy. It forces you to push yourself."

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Equity erosion and high deposits take their toll

HOME purchase lending has increased and remortgaging declined, according to the most recent figures available to the Council of Mortgage Lenders.

There was a four per cent increase in house purchase loans in February, although activity remained weak at a third of the average number of loans witnessed for the month over the last few years.

There was also a 20 per cent decrease in remortgaging for the month.

A spokesman said: "We expect demand for remortgaging to remain muted as lenders' standard variable rates are attractive compared with new mortgage pricing, and house price falls continue to erode equity levels."

Although first-time-buyer loans were significantly lower than previous averages for the month, there was a seven per cent increase from January, with deposits typically standing at 25 per cent – a new record for residential mortgages.

The CML said the tight lending criteria for first-time-buyers meant such deposits "remain out of reach for all but the most affluent buyers, for example people returning to home ownership after a period of renting, divorcees or those who get financial assistance from their family".

### Social housing overhaul planned by Tory Party

PLANS to overhaul the social housing structure have been announced by the Conservative Party.

The Tories say they want to address antisocial behaviour and encourage social responsibility, as well as 'bring back pride' to neighbourhoods.

The proposals include:

- Rewards for good behaviour: offering tenants with a record of five years' good tenant behaviour a ten per cent equity share in their social rented property, which can be cashed in when they want to move up the housing ladder.
- A 'right to move' for good tenants who wish to move to other social sector properties.
- Local housing trusts: allowing villages and towns to create new community-led bodies with planning powers to develop local homes for local people, provided there is strong community backing.
- More family homes and stopping garden-grabbing: reversing the classification of gardens as brownfield land, and allowing councils to prevent over-development.



# Rent-free 'kidults' rely on family and friends



**GENERATION NEXT:** It is estimated that some 1.6 million 18- to 34-year-olds are living rent-free with parents, family or friends in the UK in the wake of the credit crunch

MORE young people than ever before are living rent-free with family and friends in a bid to save money to get on the property ladder, according to new research

Getting a helping hand from parents, relatives or mates is increasingly being seen as the only way for many to fund the bigger deposit needed to get mortgages in the wake of the credit crunch.

This is particularly the case in the South East and London, where house prices are higher than the rest of the UK.

The new study by Abbey Mortgages found about 1.6 million people aged 18 to 34 are now living rent-free with family and friends.

The number is up from 500,000 this time last year, with the south of England witnessing the largest increase in the number of what are termed 'kidults'.

Abbey says the money-saving trend is not particular to one specific group, and some 300,000 35- to 54-year-olds have also found themselves in the same position.

Combined, it is estimated the total number of kidults in the UK are saving some £839 million, according to the mortgage provider.

With the average first-time-buyer now aged 29, Abbey says it has timed this research to coincide with the launch of a new range of mortgages specifically for them.

Nici Audhlam-Gardiner, Abbey's mortgage director, said: "In the current climate many people have little choice but to return home or turn to their friends or family for some-

■ BY NICK AMES

where to live at no cost. While an adult living at home until they are in their 30s is more associated with our Continental cousins, Abbey Mortgages research shows that this is a trend that is on the increase here in the UK as well."

In areas where house prices are traditionally the most expensive, there were higher numbers of kidults, with more than 270,000 adults

in London alone living rent-free.

Those living in the south of the country are twice as likely to live with others rent-free compared with those living in the North East and North West, the study found.

Ms Audhlam-Gardiner said: "At Abbey we are committed to helping first-time buyers and last week launched a new mortgage designed especially with them in mind."

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**Ramsgate** £104,995

- Two Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Gch / Dg • Rear Garden



**Margate** £109,995

- T L C Required
- 4 Bed Semi
- Corner Plot
- Cash Buyer Only



**Margate** £127,500

- One To Work On!
- 2 Beds, 2 Recepts
- G.F.C.H. D/glazed
- 50Ft Rear Garden



**Westgate** £137,500

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Conservatory, C/h, D/g
- Rear Garden



**Margate** £139,995

- Two, One Bed Apartments
- Ideal Investment
- 30Ft X 25Ft Garden
- No Forward Chain



**Cliftonville** £145,000

- 3 Generous Bedrooms
- 17Ft Lounge
- Garage • Dg, Gfch
- Enclosed Rear Garden



**Ramsgate** £157,500

- Three Bedrooms, G.F.C.H.
- Lounge/diner, Dbl Glazing
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Enclosed Rear Garden



**Broadstairs** £160,000

- 3 / 4 Bedrooms
- Lounge / Diner
- Dg & Gfch • Utility Room
- Enclosed Rear Garden



**Margate** £175,000

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- 3 Lrg Beds, Conservatory
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**Broadstairs** £179,995

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- Garage • Off Street Parking
- Town Centre Location
- Must Be Seen



**Kingsgate** O.I.E.O £229,995

- Modern Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Detached
- Garage • No Chain



**Westbrook** £249,995

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- Balcony & Seaviews
- Osp, West Facing Garden
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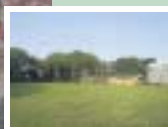
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## Cliftonville

- 4 bedrooms
- 21' kitchen/breakfast room
- Conservatory, off street parking

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## Minnis Bay

- Spacious 2 bed semi detached bungalow
- Garage and gardens
- Viewing essential

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## Margate

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- Terrific opportunity with a variety of uses
- Possible redevelopment (subject to planning)

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## St Peters

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- 3 beds home with garage
- Very sunny gardens to the rear

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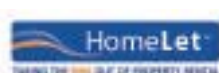
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**FAIR-HAired** female, 35, 5ft, loves the gym, pubs, nights out and fine company, searching for fun bloke, for life, love and laughter. Box 881011

**LOVELY** female, 36, 5ft4, medium-large-build, blonde hair, blue eyes, own house, loves walking, going out, the usual! Seeking male for long-term/serious relationship. Box 438102 TXT

**LOVING** female, 37, 5ft2, brown hair, slim build, looking for honest, caring man with GSOH, for friendship, leading to more. Box 449915 TXT

**HI**, I'm Alison, 36, 5ft5, single mum, loves swimming, roller skating and meeting new people, looking for a male for friendship, maybe leading to more. Box 448865 TXT

**ASHFORD-BASED** woman looking for an honest, friendly, caring and loving man. I have two kids and enjoy the usual things in life. Box 446985 TXT

**37YR** old female, 2 kids, slim, brown hair and eyes, 5ft2, looking for a caring, loving, honest and trusting male to be my someone special. Box 446552 TXT



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**GOOD** looking woman, 37, 5ft2, medium hair/eyes, 2 kids. Looking for new friends, and hopefully someone special. Box 446039 TXT

**MUM** of three, 36, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male 36-49, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 440693 TXT

**LOVING** female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666 TXT

**SINGLE** mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053 TXT

**BUBBLY**, cuddly, blonde single mum, 39, 5ft6, likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614 TXT

**CUTE**, single mum of 4, 38yrs old, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship or possibly romance. Box 897983 TXT

**PRETTY**, black female, 38, 5ft4, like football, socialising and cooking, looking for a loving and caring male, 38-42, for a LTR. Box 446684 TXT

**LOVELY** pretty big-busted lady, 39, medium build, 5ft5, lots of energy! likes the gym, reading, new experiences! seeking a nice man for potential exciting relationship. Box 446724 TXT

I like reading/writing, going out, music. Seeking kind, genuine, honest chap. I'm a 40yr old woman who enjoys the simple things in life. Box 448542 TXT

**SEEKING** genuine, sincere, honest guy who likes to have fun. I'm a friendly, 40yr old female, and like cats, wind surfing, railway trips, cafes. Box 449747

**MEDIUM** build brunette, 40, 5ft7, single mum, enjoy bowling and water-sports, looking for a tall, non-smoking, white male for a stable and affectionate relationship. Box 450658 TXT

**LOVELY**, glossy brunette, 39yr old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys theatre, music and eating out, with a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551 TXT

**NICE** looking, 41yr old mixed race female, likes cinema, walks, eating out, bowling, with a genuine white male with gosh for a fun filled friendship/relationship. Box 450890 TXT

**EASY-GOING** blonde animal lover, 41, easy-going and tactile, enjoy eating out, cinema and pubs, looking for a loyal, caring and funny man, 35-45. Box 451079 TXT

**ATTRACTIVE** woman with a great personality to go with, looking to meet a fit, tall, well-built black male, 35-55, for fun times and hopefully romance. Box 450650 TXT

**HI** I'm Judith, 40, small, blonde hair, blue eyes, love the sea and water-sports, cinema, animals; WLTm fun-loving guy for friendship and see what happens. Box 448107

**LOVELY**, bored, professional Asian lady, 40, WLTm slim, single, solvent, professional white male 40-50 for company, fun, love and laughter. Box 443573 TXT

**HELLO**, I'm Nikki, 41yr young, 5ft1, enjoys dining out, cinema and dancing, seeking a male for friendship, possible romance and fun times. Box 444796 TXT

**FUN-LOVING** female, 42, looking for someone who can make me laugh and enjoys country walks, films, travelling and a nice evening cuddled up. Box 881545 TXT

**WLTm** a nice guy with a similar nature; I'm an outgoing woman, 42, with brown hair and green eyes. Tell me about you! Box 446847 TXT

**GOOD-LOOKING** brunette from Kent, 43, 5ft10, likes bowling, eating in/out etc. Looking for a good-looking guy, 35-45, with gosh for friendship/relationship. Box 450348 TXT

**HARD-WORKING** female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414156 TXT

**PLEASANT** female, 43, medium/large build, blue/green eyes, grown up children, beach walks, relaxing, reading, winning, seeks sincere male with GSOH, for LTR. Box 429071 TXT

**HONEST**, bubbly female 45, long hair, slim, enjoys walking, cinema, socialising; seeks honest, friendly chap for friendship leading to more. Box 882693 TXT

**SPIRITUAL** 44yr old female, enjoy gardening, cooking and walks on the beach, WLTm a warm, loving and caring male for friendship, maybe a LTR. Box 444803 TXT

**UNDERSTANDING**, caring female, 45, 5ft4, medium build, brown hair, likes cinema, animals, music, romantic pubs, seeking male for cuddles, hugs and more. Box 444873 TXT

**HI** I'm Lynne 46, 5ft4, dark hair/eyes, love reading/writing, going out, astrology, cars; seeking honest, caring, outgoing guy to enjoy music, fun, friendship and more! Box 449186

**44YR** old female, blonde hair, 5ft5, slim, easygoing, enjoy many things in life, looking for someone similar out there to enjoy life with! Box 436810 TXT

**CARING**, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, local man 42-52 for love and TLC. Box 444366 TXT

**SINCERE**, happy woman, with GSOH. I'm 5ft6, with short brown hair, brown eyes. I have lots of interests and WLTm similar guy. Box 895019 TXT

**BUBBLY**, caring lady, 47, divorced with 2 teenagers, dark hair, medium build, into cooking, driving, love to talk, laugh and have fun, seeking a normal guy. Box 425952 TXT

**HELP** me write my stand-up comedy routine! I'm 49, you'll need to make me laugh out loud and understand observational comedy to make the grade. Box 892640 TXT

**PETITE**, brunette, bubbly, friendly, easygoing single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things, WLTm genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 893562 TXT

**FUN-LOVING**, sporty and fit lady, 50, loves salsa dancing and walking, searching for an intelligent and young at heart man for interesting chats. Box 451009

**YOUNG** 50s lady, slim, 5ft4, fair hair, a smoker, loves music, going out, cooking, gardening, seeking similar loving, caring, honest male. Box 449288 TXT

**OUTGOING** lady, 50, enjoys walks along the beach, nights out and in with a quiet bottle of wine, seeks man to love forever. Box 449524 TXT

**GOOD-LOOKING** female, 50, looking for a kind, reliable and honest man, must be a moderate drinker, for companionship and romance. Box 450655 TXT

**FEMALE** 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim build, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 48-55. Hastings. Box 417100 TXT

**PROFESSIONAL** lady, 53, non-drinker, likes travelling to the coast, POI, looking for a man to share the rest of my life with. Box 451018 TXT

**YOUNG** looking, hard working 53yr old living in Essex. I am a happy, caring person with a good sense of humour. Non-smoker. Heathfield. Box 883410 TXT

**VIVACIOUS** brunette, young 56, attractive, divorced, professional, enjoys art/craft/poetry, walking, travel, dogs, motorbikes. Happy to explore new interests with that special male 52-62. Brighton area. Box 905362 TXT

**SPONTANEOUS**, friendly, lively female, 55, likes cinema, walking, cooking, socialising, seeks similar person for friendship leading to hopefully more. Box 430854 TXT

**SMART** petite lady, 56, 5ft4, tall, blonde hair, green eyes, likes restaurants, theatre, cinema, travel abroad; seeking happy guy with similar interests. Box 448795 TXT

**INTELLIGENT** lady, 55, 5ft8, large build, looking for a nice, genuine male who enjoys theatre, meals, laughter, music, relaxing and good conversation. Box 444145 TXT

**LONDONER** new to the area, 57, 5ft5, slim attractive blonde, seeking a man for serious relationship and lasting happiness. Box 449587 TXT

**FUN** loving, bubbly, tactile lady, 50s, enjoys the good life, holidays and cosy nights in, I'm voluptuous & looking for a real man. Box 903560 TXT

**HI**, I'm 58, 5ft7 with fair hair, medium build, love dancing and music, pubs, clubs, socialising, looking for a similar easygoing, romantic man for love. Box 450764 TXT

**BLONDE**, bubbly curvy female, 59, looks younger, fun to be with, honest, seeks caring male to be my soulmate. GSOH. Box 883891 TXT

**INTERESTS:** theatre, music, gardening, cooking, walks. I'm a tactile, loving female, considerate, with a GSOH. 59, 5ft2, dark hair/blue eyes, and WLTm romantic, non-smoking gent. Box 450420 TXT

**HONEST** & sincere female, 58, tall, GSOH, loves country pubs, coasts, cinema, seeking a man who's a match for me with GSOH for relationship. Box 441622 TXT

**LOVING** lady looking for companionship, 63, 5ft3, medium build, brown hair/eyes, loves dancing, walks and animals; seeks similar male with great SOH for lasting happiness. Box 446382 TXT

**FEMALE**, early 60s, tall, slim, modern, young thinking & very adaptable to people, own house, loves animals, walking & eating out. Hastings. Box 440502 TXT

## Women seeking women

**I'M** a 26yr old female, looking for new friends and maybe that special girl...let's have a meal and a drink and see what happens! Box 448722 TXT

**HI** I'm 37, new to town and would love to meet some gay/bi female companions to socialise with and just go out. Box 880564 TXT

**52YRS**, 5ft6, blonde, size 12 enjoys good food/wine, theatre, countryside, holidays, seeking a sincere, genuine female, for friendship first, possibly relationship. Box 414143 TXT

**MODIST** male, 42, 6ft2 with dark hair, stocky, a chef and loving dad, loves cinema, dining out and cosy nights, seeks someone special and fun-loving. Box 450057 TXT

**SPONTANEOUS**, loving guy, young 44yr old with sea blue eyes, slim build. Many varied outdoor pursuits and hoping to meet a fine young lady. E.Sussex. Box 446120 TXT

**SCOTTISH** man, 44, living in Kent, clean shaven, medium build, like sport and socialising, looking for a fun-to-be with lady for friendship, hopefully more. Box 450963 TXT

**DOWN-TO-EARTH** guy, 44, 5ft9, blue eyes, average build, open-minded and easy-going, likes sun bathing, seeking a girl with similar interests. Box 450974 TXT

**ROB** from Kent, 43, likes all the good things in life, fishing and romantic walks, WLTm a woman of similar age for good times. Box 450986 TXT

**FIT** and active body builder, 45, no ties or strings, hard working, loves life, looking for a woman to shower in love and attention. Box 451073 TXT

**MY** name is Kevin, 34, great personality, nice smile, likes animals, films and playing pool. WLTm a woman with gosh for a relationship. Box 451063 TXT

**OUTSPOKEN** 34yr old man, blue eyes, medium build, enjoys swimming, running, film, small animals, into history and travelling, looking for a similar girl. Box 451066 TXT

**BLONDE** male, 37, 5ft9, love golf, don't mind a beer, WLTm an open-minded female for good times, maybe a relationship. Box 450544 TXT

**LEE**, driver, 36yr old, 6ft3, dark hair, like pubs, clubs, wine bars, places of interest, sports and reading, with a woman for friendship and romance. Box 889720 TXT

**HI**, I'm Kevin, 38, mousey blond hair, blue eyes, lots of fun, genuine, seeking that special outgoing female, caring, for genuine loving relationship. Box 451097 TXT

**HI** I'm Kevin, 37, 6ft1, medium build, loves cinema, music, walks and the sea, seeking similar girl to find love with. Box 449844 TXT

**LOVING**, caring, generous spiritual man, 39, 6ft, black hair blue eyes, loves reading and science, looking for a woman to have a good relationship with. Box 451169

**SINCERE**, 36yr old male, self-employed, seeks Miss Right, 30-40, for friendship/romance. Box 783954

**VIRGO** male, 40, 5ft7, stocky build, kind, loving, fine guy, enjoys the cinema, meals out, walks on beaches, WLTm like-minded person to be my girl. Box 446212 TXT

**ART-LOVING** 40yr old, 5ft9, brown hair/eyes, into motorbikes and weight-lifting, looking for a trustworthy female for friendship to start off with, then who knows? Box 448928 TXT

**HI**, 40yr old fun-loving male, looking to meet slim fun-loving female, looks unimportant, for hopeful LTR. Many hobbies and interests! Box 450819

**HAPPY** go lucky male, 41, likes sports, swimming, socialising, seeks down to earth female for friendship and more. Box 450824

**I'M** a cute and laid-back guy, 41, 5ft8, short hair, athletic, very tactile, loving and spontaneous, likes shopping, travelling, eating in/out, hate football! Brighton. Box 450614

**FAMILY** orientated guy, 41, separated, looking to find a lady who wants the fun and company of a partner back into their life. Box 884085

**HI** I'm Carl, 40, GSOH, 6ft, light green eyes, brown hair, looking for a fun, bubbly woman to share laughs, days out and much more. Box 436966

**OUTGOING**, young-minded male, 47, smoker, likes war games, books, cinema, castles, places of interest, seeking similar woman to boogie on the dancefloor with. Box 443750

**GENUINE**, upbeat, comical male, 42, handsome, charming, likes sports, keeping trim, making new discoveries, seeks beautiful lady of inside and out for love. Box 450622

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**WARM**, tactile male, 42, 6ft, likes socialising, pubs, clubs, cosy nights in, seeks like minded female, for friendship, leading to more. Box 388967

**WELL-BUILT** male, 44, looking for a female for friendship and fun, let's start 2009 not being single and with a smile! Box 883622

**HONEST** 45yr old gent, 5ft10, short hair, enjoy swimming, walking, talking and dvd's, looking for someone similar, 40-55. Box 451048

**RECENTLY** separated man, 46, quite attractive, likes cooking, cuddles on the sofa, country pubs, Looking for a warm and bubbly older woman, 60-65, for companionship. Box 451057

**WELL** built graduate, 46, curly hair, looking for a lady, same age or younger, with similar interests to share good times and companionship with. Box 451046

**SPONTANEOUS** guy, 46, 6ft, blonde, blue eyes, likes country pubs, cinemas, walks, the gym, horse-racing, theatre and more, looking for similar happy-go-lucky girl. Box 450728

**FANCY** a walk along the beach at sunset? A cosy night on the sofa? I'm male, 46, average build, I'm romantic, and like animals, and holidays. Box 447858

**WARM**, friendly, affectionate male, 46, I have plenty of love to give to the right woman, all I need to do is find her! Box 450300

**OUTGOING** and friendly man, 47, blue eyes, fair hair, likes the countryside and spicy food, looking to meet a nice and friendly lady for love. Box 449306

**KIND**, genuine, down-to-earth male, 47, seeking companionship and LTR. 5ft10, cropped hair, blue eyes, stocky with cuddly belly! Box 449583

**HI** I'm Michael, 47, 5ft8, medium build, respectful, bubbly person, into most things, seeking a loving female for friendship and more. Box 450855

**DOWN** to earth & outgoing male, 47, seeking fun with a young lady who enjoys sports, staying active, travel, socialising, drinks and more. Box 451104

**HOMELY** guy, down-to-earth, 48, 5ft7, brown hair and eyes, good build, likes many interests, seeks lady to cuddle with. Halsham. Box 450576

**FRIENDLY** guy, 49, 6ft, average build, dark hair, brown eyes, loves cars and shows, drinks in pubs, walks, beaches, countryside; seeking lady to laugh with. Box 449834

**GENUINE** man, 5ft5, fair hair, medium build, I'm 5



## MOTORS NEWS



### Super Cupra is ready to shine this summer

SEAT has unveiled a new-look Cupra sporting flagship for this summer. The 2.0-litre 237bhp/240PS turbocharged engine is carried over from before, but the Cupra's lowered 'track car' style has been enhanced by new front and back ends.

A set of 18-inch alloys and gloss black door mirror housings add to muscular style. The cabin features aluminium pedals and racing/bucket style seats.

Top speed is 153 mph and 0-62mph sprint takes 6.4 seconds with an average 34mpg. Prices are to be announced.



### Renault making prices fall for the Scenic route

HAVING invented the people carrier/MPV type with the original Espace and Scenic models, Renault has had to play catch up.

But aggressive pricing from £14,995 for the new seven-seat Grand Scenic could be a bid to restore market share.

That brings an Extreme 1.6 petrol version costing £1,060 less than the current equivalent, while the likely best-selling Dynamique trim with the same engine is £660 less. Standard kit is impressive – the newcomer arriving on 15 May.



### Fabia newcomer scouts out more Skoda sales

SKODA has carved a nice little niche by creating rugged Scout versions of key models. And those needing a supermini workhorse may be tempted by the new Fabia Scout, arriving in late May and based on the practical estate body.

Unlike the bigger Octavia Scout it is not four-wheel drive, but does have a durable front bumper and cladding for extra protection, while roof-rails boost its load-lugging potential. Two petrol and two diesel engines are offered, but the Czech brand has yet to confirm prices.



**IMAGE CONSCIOUS:** The Dodge Journey also comes generously 'loaded' with kit in the American way and the ride is decent, but the car does not feel as taut and sporty as looks would suggest.

# Journey could be Dodge way to wooing UK buyers

## ROAD TEST DODGE JOURNEY

BY STEVE LOADER

### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

Admittedly, the interior still looks off the pace compared with rivals such as the VW Touran and sector-leading Vauxhall Zafira, but there are signs that Chrysler has been listening to British buyers.

The car is also available with the 140bhp 2.0-litre VW diesel that has become a stalwart across Chrysler brands. It suits current market demand, being sufficiently lively yet clean and economical, aided by a decent six-speed manual shift.

A 170bhp 2.4-litre petrol unit is the only alternative; it is livelier, but thirsty too, and you need to be daft to opt for that, even if the diesel sounds a bit lumpy at times.

Needless to say, the Dodge also comes generously 'loaded' with kit in the American way and the ride is decent, but the car does not feel as taut and sporty as its looks would suggest.

Nevertheless, the Journey is aptly named and likely to tempt buyers to this relatively new brand, especially in price-sensitive times, with standard kit including climate control, under-floor stowage, tilt and slide rear seats, 90-degree opening rear doors for easier access, electronic stability control, hill start assist, tyre pressure monitoring and front, side and curtain airbags.



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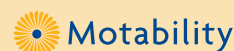
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## USED CAR ROUND-UP: OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

### FORD FOCUS



BRITAIN'S favourite car. Or is it? Some say it's number one through Ford's formidable market share. Fair point, but the Focus is also great to drive, practical, well-made and blessed with good engines. For second-hand buyers there is a fantastic choice of power – including the rapid ST – trim levels and body styles: a smart saloon and estate plus a coupé convertible. The car's popularity and ordinary looks are a weakness though and reason enough for some buyers to look elsewhere.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

### NISSAN ALMERA



NISSAN always struggled to glamorise the Almera, but devotees cherished its solid build and reliability. Used car buyers love it even more for its modest prices, though good ones can still fetch decent money. The five-door is the winner for all-round versatility, but the rarer three-door is sportier looking. The balance of driver appeal and ride is also well-judged and Nissan kept specs high to maintain the car's competitiveness in a tough sector before finally throwing in the towel.

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### MAZDA 3



MAZDA'S close relationship with Ford means a lot of Focus resides beneath the skin of the Mazda3 and that means neat handling. Yet that skin also makes the Mazda stand out from its ubiquitous half-sister – a fact not lost on used car buyers looking for something distinctive. The '3' is mostly found as a capacious hatchback, but there is also a sporty saloon that shares few panels with it. Engines are lively, in line with Mazda's sporty 'Zoom-Zoom' image.

#### STAR QUALITY

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58 Skoda Superb 2.0 TDI PD SE 5-Dr Hatchback, Finished in Grey Metallic with a Black Velour Leather interior, 4,980 miles...	£17,295	£16,995
04 Skoda Superb 1.9 TDI PD 130 Comfort 4-Dr Saloon, Finished in Titan Grey Metallic with a Black Velour interior, 27,350 miles...	£7,995	
58 Skoda Octavia 2.0 TDI PD Scout 5-Dr Estate, Finished in Brilliant Silver Metallic with a Black Cloth Velour interior, 5,500 miles...	£16,995	£16,995
56 Skoda Octavia 1.6 FSI Elegance 5-Dr Hatchback Finished in Corrida Red Metallic with a Black Cloth interior, 16,400 miles...	£8,495	£7,995
54 Skoda Octavia 1.9 TDI PD Elegance 5-Dr Hatchback, Finished in Beige Metallic with a Black Cloth interior, 43,750 miles...	£8,495	
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We're looking for someone who is dynamic, has a creative flair and can provide evidence of delivering in a fast-paced and focused online environment. Online Marketing experience is essential and must include an in-depth understanding of Search Engines and website usability. Knowledge of html and content management systems is preferable.

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1. Advertisements will be accepted only on the express condition that the advertiser warrants that the advertisement does not in any way contravene any existing legislation and in particular the Trade and Description Act 1968 and the Consumer Credit Act 1974.

2. It is the responsibility of all advertisers to ensure that all advertising meets all forms of government legislation and KOS Media (Publishing) Ltd (the "media owner") takes no responsibility for liability in errors and omissions to the content of our media.

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26. The Advertiser agrees to indemnify KOS Media (Publishing) Ltd in respect of all costs, damages or other charges falling upon the media owners or any of the companies within the KOS Media Group as the result of legal action or threatened legal action or threatened legal arising from the publication of any advertisement or advertising promotion.

27. An order for an advertisement placed on acceptance of these terms and conditions, and any condition placed on an order by an Advertiser shall be null and void in so far as it conflicts with them.

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### Start-Up Stars search

HSBC is calling on all new companies to enter this year's Start-Up Stars Awards.

These are aimed at the UK's most promising start-up businesses less than three years old and the entrepreneurs behind them. The deadline is this Saturday.

It culminates with a black-tie event at London's InterContinental in November, when the UK's top new businesses will hope to be crowned Start-Up Star 2009 and walk away with a cheque for £25,000, courtesy of HSBC.

There will also be £10,000 cheques for the best new green business, best new business set up by a graduate, and best new business achieving export success.

Google will be offering £40,000 of free services, to be shared between the ten national finalists and each of the category winners. For details, go to [www.startup-stars.hsbc.co.uk](http://www.startup-stars.hsbc.co.uk).

### After-hours chamber

KENT Invicta Chamber of Commerce has introduced events to enable businesspeople to meet on an informal basis.

The After Hours Club will be held at venues convenient for all areas covered by the chamber – Ashford, Canterbury, Maidstone and west Kent.

The club was launched at Londa Bistro in Station Road, Ashford, and will be held there on the first Tuesday of each month. Events are free and open from 6pm.

Meetings will be held for Canterbury businesses at Howfield Manor, Chartham Hatch, on the second Tuesday each month; and at Russell Hotel, Maidstone, on the third Tuesday. A west Kent venue has yet to be finalised. For details, phone 01233 503838.

### Free half-day workshops

A BIG talking point at the Kent 2020 Vision exhibition was Business Link's 'health checks', looking at businesses and identifying possible changes.

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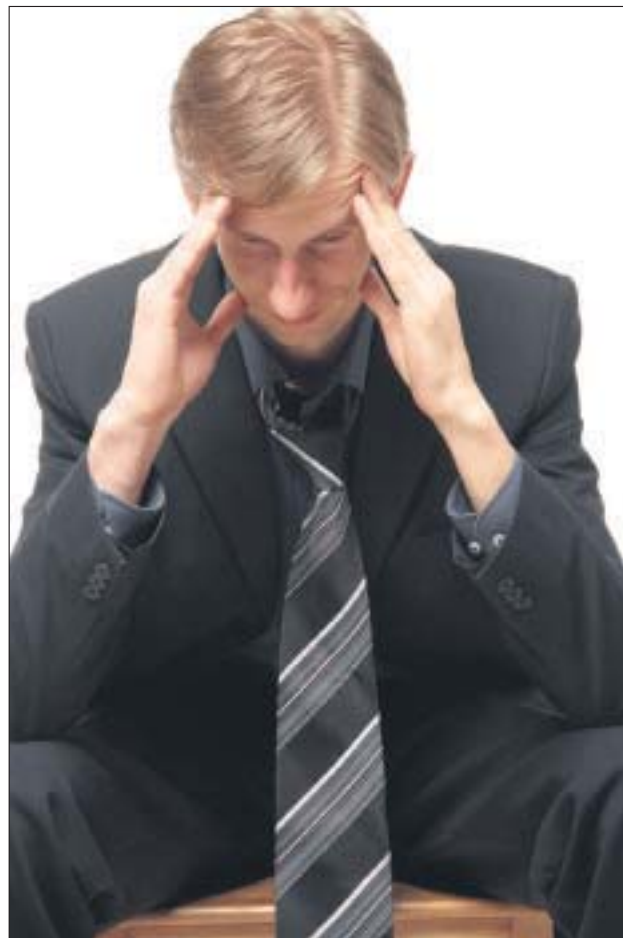
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# New orders provide respite for debtors



**WORRYING TIMES:** But new debt relief orders offer an alternative to bankruptcy

HUNDREDS of people in Kent could turn to new debt relief orders (DROs) in their first year, if present trends continue.

The most recent official personal insolvency data for the county show 487 took the step in the last three months of 2008 – a rise of a third compared with the same quarter in 2007.

Now business services giant KPMG is predicting personal insolvencies will hit record levels as DROs allow consumers with debts of less than £15,000, and minimal assets or surplus income, to write them off without going for a full-blown bankruptcy.

They came into action early this month. Mark Sands, director of personal insolvency, said: "In our view, DROs, together with the expected increase in unemployment, are likely to lead to record levels of personal insolvency – more than 150,000 – in 2009.

"While consumers will fight to keep their jobs and their family homes, for those who lose both there is often little reason for someone with debts not to declare themselves bankrupt.

"Now they have the alternative of a DRO. We expect bankruptcies and DROs to form an increasing proportion of personal insolvencies as individual voluntary arrangements (IVAs) – where the consumer usually commits to a five-year payment plan – become increasingly unattractive to those who have lost their job or home."

KPMG data show the average debt owed by someone entering an IVA in the last quarter of 2008 was £47,800 and that in the same

■ BY TONY PATEY

period more than 500 people entered into an IVA with debts of more than £100,000.

Mr Sands said: "Bankruptcy is typically used by those with lower debts and minimal assets, but many who previously would have gone bankrupt will instead seek a DRO. Also, many people previously excluded from the personal insolvency system will seek a DRO, swelling numbers of personal insolvencies to record levels."

Two advantages of DROs over bankruptcy are:

- Use of intermediaries (such as Citizens Advice) to make the application rather than presenting papers to a court.
- A cost of £90, which is less than one-fifth of the cost of making yourself bankrupt.

Mr Sands said: "Many people in debt suffer stress and anxiety.

"Resolving debt problems without the need to go to court and at a lower cost will be a great relief and will make personal insolvency accessible to many previously unable to access bankruptcy due to the cost and were put off by the complexity and stigma."

Concerns have been raised that DROs will be abused, but Mr Sands said: "If a debtor lies about their circumstances the DRO may be revoked and the debts pursued once more, if it becomes clear they did not meet all the criteria."

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MOVING ON: Ramsgate assistant manager Danny Ward

## Ward exits Ramsgate for try at management

RAMSGATE assistant manager Danny Ward is to leave the club in a bid make it on his own as a football manager.

Ward, brother of Rams boss Jim Ward, has been at the club since 2004 and in that time witnessed consecutive promotions from the Kent League to the Ryman Premier League. He was also part of the club's Ryman League Cup triumph last season.

However, after a disappointing season which has seen Ramsgate relegated to Ryman South, Ward has decided he would like to pursue a future as a manager.

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He has already been linked with a possible move to Deal Town and Herne Bay in the Kent League, although both sides have managers.

Chairman Richard Lawson said: "Danny told us last week that he wanted to make it on his own as a manager.

"In a way I think it was time for Danny to leave. He has his own ambitions he wants to achieve and Danny and Jim are two different people."

Lawson admitted Ward has no obligations to stay at the club until the end of the season and the club are already in talks with possible replacements.

He said: "I am not sure if he will be on the touchline on Saturday. It is up to Danny and with the situation we are in, already knowing we are relegated, he can go whenever he wants."

Rumours on forums have linked Ramsgate boss Jim Ward with a return to Maidstone United, but Lawson confirmed Ward will be in charge of the Rams next season.

## Wanderers' season ends with thrashing

THE London 2 South season ended with a heavy defeat for Thanet Wanderers as Basingstoke claimed the title on the last day of the campaign.

The league leaders went into the game needing to win to ensure the title and promotion and they did so in style, sweeping Thanet aside 62-0.

It represented a disappointing end to the season for the Wanderers who lost their last four games in a row having won the previous three.

Darryl Vas's side finished tenth in the division with season's highlights being the 38-28 win at Gravesend and the 39-12 victory against Beckenham.

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## Heavyweight Dan in quarter-finals

DAN Woodgate outscored ex-professional boxer Simon Hopkins to claim the southern counties amateur boxing heavyweight title on Saturday.

The Isle of Thanet Boxing Club boxer beat his opponent from Horsham ABC 14-4 on points to win the 81-86kg championship at the Waterside Social Club in Southampton.

In the final he knocked out Nick McGarry from the Combined Services Amateur Boxing Association in the first minute of the first round to claim the title.

Woodgate is the fifth boxer from his club to reach the national quarter finals.

They will be held at the National Institute of Sport in Sheffield on May 1 and if he wins, he will box in the semi-final the next day.

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Picture DAVE STEWART

MISS: Andy Hadden (left) came close to equalising but there was more misery in store as the already relegated Rams slumped to another defeat, this time away against Dartford

# Another defeat for Rams as tortuous season continues

WITH their fate already sealed, the end of the season can't come quick enough for Ramsgate as they rebuild for life in Ryman Division One South.

Their visit to Princes Park, in their penultimate match of the season, was certainly a game of two halves. With the Rams looking livelier at the start their hosts grew stronger as the half progressed and, with both sides having only had five shots each and the Darts leading by a single goal at the interval, Dartford cruised to a 4-0 win in the second period.

The first real scoring chance fell to Steffan Ball in the 12th minute, when his volley needed a reaction save from Andrew Young to tip it over the bar for a corner.

### Header

The Darts at this stage were relying on long balls forward to Rob Haworth and Craig Carley, all of which were dealt with by goalkeeper Jamie Turner or the Rams' defence, who were without Nick Davis and Vincenzo Zanzi who both failed pre-match fitness tests.

The next real opportunity also fell to Ramsgate when, in the 19th minute, Dan Tanner's header back across the Dartford goal beat everyone but the far post.

Carley put the ball in the Ramsgate net two minutes later but the linesman had already raised his flag for off-side, and five

### FOOTBALL

BY KEVIN BARHAM

## Dartford 4

Haworth 37, Hayes 57, 60, Noble 80

## Ramsgate 0

minutes after that Lee Noble let fly from the edge of the area but it went straight into Turner's arms.

Ramsgate were also pressing and just before the half hour Andy Hadden sent a curving volley in from 20 yards that didn't quite have enough spin to take it into the top corner of the net.

However, in the 37th minute a throw was given the wrong way to Dartford and, having been launched into the Ramsgate area past Turner, the ball was initially cleared off the line by Will Graham before Rob Haworth stabbed it in from close range.

In the second half Dartford came out a different side and, with three corners in quick succession, it needed some great blocks by Turner and his defence to prevent the Darts extending their lead straight from the restart.

The Rams nearly equalised in the 48th minute when Hadden floated a sweet cross towards the far post, but Young timed his run

### Ramsgate starting XI



Subs used: Brown (Duff 60), Booth (Schulz 60), Firth (Coleman 60)

perfectly to snatch the ball from skipper Warren Schulz's head.

In the 57th minute Ryan Hayes' cross was headed back across the goal by Haworth but was put behind for a corner. Hayes played this short and, getting the ball back dribbled to the edge of the area where his left footed shot curled into the far corner of the goal.

On the hour mark a Dartford free-kick was played wide right to Eferakorho, whose cross into the area was met by a flying header from Hayes to give the Darts their third.

For the next ten minutes the Rams seemed to get back into the game more, with substitutes Ben Brown and Aaron Firth linking well with Ball to attack from midfield.

But with ten minutes to go the Darts scored their fourth, when a Ramsgate free-kick just inside the Dartford half was cleared on the edge of the area reaching Noble, who sprinted through before dispatching past Turner.



# Victory gives Gate hope of making great escape

## FOOTBALL

BY GLENN PEARSON

### Margate 2

Healy 37, Pratt 83

### Sutton United 0



MARGATE took a giant step towards safety as they made it back-to-back wins at the weekend, but face the biggest game in their recent history on Saturday.

The Blues have to better the results of either Boreham Wood or Hendon to ensure survival and it doesn't come any tougher than an away trip to second-placed Staines Town.

#### Chances

A goal in each half at the weekend ensured the Blues are still in with a shout on the last day of the season.

It took a battling performance from the home side as Sutton pressed throughout the game, but Luke Wheatley, Dan Young and Jack Haverson held firm in the centre of the Margate defence.

The Blues made Sutton pay for several missed chances, taking the lead eight minutes before the break.



**ON TARGET:** Joe Healy scored the opener to help put Margate on their way to a crucial victory against Sutton

In a move leading up to the goal, the influential Wayne Wilson hit a thunderous drive that cannoned off the crossbar and Sutton conceded

#### Margate starting XI



Subs used: Corbishley (Lacy 79), Quain (Peters 72)

ed a free-kick as they tried to clear the ball to safety.

Initially the free-kick routine between Ryan Peters and Wilson seemed to break down, but Margate got the ball through to Joe Healy who slipped it into the net from six yards.

The visitors continued to put the pressure on in the second half in the pursuit for points in the play-off race, but the Margate defence, marshalled by goalkeeper Pat Mullin, somehow managed to keep them at bay.

As Sutton pushed forward, Margate were able to exploit the spaces in the visitor's half and on 83 minutes they wrapped up three valuable points.

Substitute Aaron Quain spotted Kenny Pratt and his measured pass found him in space.

The forward hit the back of the net from the edge of the six-yard box to claim his ninth goal of the season.

## FOOTBALL



Picture: DAVE STEWART

**STAYING:** Terry Yorath will be Gate boss next season

## Gate chief confident Welsh duo will stay on at Hartsdown Park

BLUES boss Terry Yorath and his assistant Neville Southall will continue in their roles managing the club, according to chairman Keith Piper.

The Gate chief told the club's fans at a presentation after Saturday's game that the two Welshmen would be staying at the club as a management duo next season.

The news will come as a big boost to the Blues as they head into Saturday's crunch away trip to Staines Town that will determine their fate in the Ryman Premier.

It has been another up-and-down season at Hartsdown Park, but if they can achieve safety at the weekend it will really be a case of the great escape.

Piper told the club's website that the decision to restructure the club and focus on the development of younger players was the right one.

He said: "We new it was going to be difficult [this season]. I'm very pleased with what I'm seeing on the field; I think we're starting to play football again.

"If we have to take another relegation, that's something we've got to deal with but I think we've got the basis now of moving the club forward and I think that's always what we set out to achieve when we announced last season that we were restructuring the foundations."

Several young players have graduated into the first-team, including Luke Wheatley, Curtis Robinson and Kenny Pratt and that, according to Piper, will give the club a good foundation to start from next season.

"I think wherever we start off next season we will start off with a basis of a team that gives us an opportunity to start that forward move to get back to the Blue Square Premier which is our objective," he said.

## LEAGUE TABLE

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1 Dover Athletic	41	32	5	4	+55	101
2 Staines Town	41	22	13	6	+31	79
3 Tonbridge Angels	41	20	13	8	+30	73
4 AFC Hornchurch	41	19	8	14	+10	65
5 Carshalton Athletic	41	18	11	12	0	65
6 Sutton United	41	17	13	11	+3	64
7 Wealdstone	41	17	8	16	+13	59
8 Dartford	40	16	10	14	+11	58
9 Tooting & Mitcham Utd	41	15	10	16	-2	55
10 Maidstone United	40	14	11	15	-2	53
11 Ashford Town (Middx)	40	17	2	21	-3	53
12 Billericay Town	41	14	11	16	-13	53
13 Canvey Island	41	15	7	19	-7	52
14 Horsham	40	15	7	18	-10	52
15 Harrow Borough	40	13	12	15	-18	51
16 Hastings United	41	14	7	20	-15	49
17 Hendon	40	14	6	20	+3	48
18 Boreham Wood	41	12	11	18	-13	47
<b>19 Margate</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>46</b>
R Harlow Town (-3)	41	13	6	22	-14	42
R Heybridge Swifts	41	10	11	20	-20	41
<b>R Ramsgate (-4)</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>31</b>

## FIXTURES

**Saturday, April 25**

Ryman Premier Division:

Ramsgate v Ashford Town (Middlesex)

Staines Town v Margate

# Dolphins swimming along nicely after latest victory

## SUNDAY LEAGUE

DOLPHINS FC edged closer to the Premier Division title in the Thanet Sunday League with a comfortable 4-1 win against basement side Thanet Fascias.

After securing a 7-1 win last week, Dolphins built on their momentum with another convincing win. Thanet Fascias, who have won just once this season, were always going to find the game tough, but needed the points to aid their survival bid.

On the day, Dolphins' forwards proved too much for Fascias to deal with. Goals from Martin James, Peter Burke and Phil Head put the title chasers in a commanding lead. An own goal from either side wrapped up the scoreline 4-1.

The result means Dolphins' lead at the top of the league has been extended to six points, although nearest rivals Albion Athletic have a game in hand.

South Eastern moved up to third after putting four past Dormans in a six-goal thriller at Jackey Bakers.

A brace from Scott Holden and goals from Callum Hinde and Vinny Woolford secured the points for South Eastern with a 4-2 win. Hane Ahemeda and Ismaila Jammeh scored the goals for Dormans.

Elsewhere in the Premier Division, a Zack Thomas brace earned Albys United a 2-0 win against Fayrenew Hotel. Albys United remain fifth in the league.

In Division Two, Hotel De Ville maintained their charge toward the top of the league with an impressive 10-2 win against Pfizer



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**IN THE HUNT:** South Eastern gave their title hopes a boost with a solid victory to move into third position

Athletic. Hotel De Ville are just seven points behind league-leaders Strokes with two games in hand.

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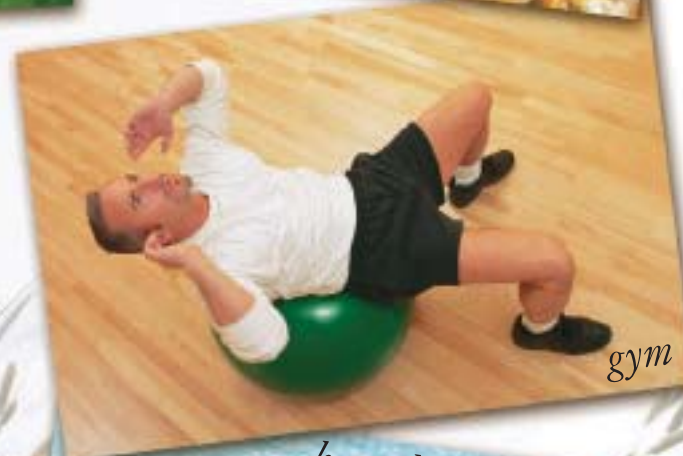
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